

I A Growing Ministry

A) A Positive story

This story lies between the stories of greedy Gehazi and Elisha's life in danger

Isaiah 43:1-4 This story reminds us that blessings comes during trouble.

B) A Building for the LORD

Matthew 7:24-27 The Wise man builds on the LORD.

C) A Disciple Lead Growth

Philippians 1:6 Paul was in prison, but God will make sure the job is complete.

II A Ministry Problem

A) The Axe fell apart

John 16:33 Christians are sometimes ignorant to problems.

When things go wrong don't be a Christian who falls apart.

B) Sometimes You can't see the solution!

Hebrews 11:1 Faith is the substance of things not seen

How do you react? God is bigger than our accidents. Rom 8:28

III An Answered prayer

A) This was an authentic miracle.

B) He came to Elisha and explained the problem.

I John 1:9 Explain your problem to God.

C) Elisha cared because God cares.

I Cor 10:13 God can provide a way out of your problem.

In Hebrew, Stick can mean a sapling or a tree.

Sacrament – a physical action which has spiritual effects.

We can not explain what happened only state that God made the iron to float like wood.

D) Our problems matter to God, even the little ones

I Peter 5:7 – Cast your cares on him.

IV) Practical Application

1) Go tell the Lord that you have lost it!

2) Cry out to the LORD. Dear Lord, it was borrowed.

3) Answer honestly the question: Where did it fall?

4) Watch God do the impossible.