

**Believing the Word**  
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And the sons of the prophets said to Elisha, "See now, the place where we dwell with you is too small for us. Please, let us go to the Jordan, and let every man take a beam from there, and let us make there a place where we may dwell." So he answered, "Go." **(II Kings 6:1, 2 NKJV)**

Faith knows the outcome it wants before it happens.

And have not shut me up into the hand of the enemy; You have set my feet in a wide place. **(Psalms 31:8 NKJV)**

Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place. **(Psalms 66:12 KJV)**

Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. **(Matthew 6:10 NKJV)**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. **(Genesis 1:1 NKJV)**

Created means "to put out of". Heavens are expanding.

Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation; nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you." **(Luke 17:20, 21 NKJV)**

Truly I tell you, whatever you forbid and declare to be improper and unlawful on earth must be what is already forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit and declare proper and lawful on earth must be what is already permitted in heaven. **(Matthew 18:18 AMP)**

But will God indeed dwell with men on the earth? Behold, the heavens and heaven of heavens [in its most extended compass] cannot contain You; how much less this house that I have built? **(1 Kings 8:27 AMP)**

You find out who your brothers are when you outgrow a place. Adversity only comes to people moving in faith.

THE SONS of the prophets said to Elisha, Look now, the place where we live before you is too small for us. **(2 Kings 6:1 AMP)**

Small means "a tight place, narrow, strait, small". God only speaks to people who has outgrown their place.

Let us go to the Jordan, and each man get there a [house] beam; and let us make us a place there where we may dwell. And he answered, Go. **(2 Kings 6:2 AMP)**

They found the prophet that was leading them to their future. The mentor doesn't force you; they unlock your faith. You never want to go into your future alone.

Again I tell you, if two of you on earth agree (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever [anything and everything] they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in heaven. **(Matthew 18:19 AMP)**

In **verse 2**, they wanted to go to Jordan. Jordan means "have abundance, increase, to subdue".

Beam means "to build a wall, to throw forth, already exist". Elisha didn't unlock the problem; he unlocked their faith. The building blocks of your destiny are already calling you. The larger life that God is calling you to is within walking distance (Let us go to Jordan).

One said, Be pleased to go with your servants. He answered, I will go. **(2 Kings 6:3 AMP)**

Pleased in **verse 3**, shows fear and doubt. We grow in two ways **(1)** while we are getting ready to expand, **(2)** during the expanding process. To walk into your future, you must leave your past.

So he went with them. And when they came to the Jordan, they cut down trees. **(2 Kings 6:4 AMP)**

In **verse 2**, they saw beams, in **verse 4**, they saw trees. The sons of the prophets already saw the building built (to build a wall is what beam means). They had seen it but needed permission to go. Elisha didn't tell them what to do, he just said, "Go". In **verse 4**, they were looking for the power agreement, and they began to exercise their faith (cut down trees).

But as one was felling his beam, the ax head fell into the water; and he cried, Alas, my master, for it was borrowed! The man of God said, Where did it fall? When shown the place, Elisha cut off a stick and threw it in there, and the iron floated. He said, Pick it up. And he put out his hand and took it. **(2 Kings 6:5-7 AMP)**

Faith is the handle. Axe means "the cutting edge" the Rhema. Hear your faith connecting with your future. We need to create a place in our hearts for our future.

So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. **(Romans 10:17 NKJV)**

Then Elijah said to Ahab, "Go up, eat and drink; for there is the sound of abundance of rain." **(1 Kings 18:41 NKJV)**

Elijah was connected with his future. In **verse 5**, one was trying to carve out his future and life flew off the handle. Only one dropped his axe head in the water, when it is not your revelation the word will fly off the handle. He tried to cut down a tree that was not on the inside of him. People are trying to take a revelation of others and cut down trees in their lives.

The man of God said, Where did it fall? When shown the place, Elisha cut off a stick and threw it in there, and the iron floated. He said, Pick it up. And he put out his hand and took it. **(2 Kings 6:6, 7 AMP)**

The axe head will float if the handle is long enough. Handle is faith. The axe means Rhema. If your faith (handle) is long enough your axe head (Word) will float. It was impossible in the muddy Jordan, to find the axe head.

When a tree is cut down, there is no more life in the tree. **In verse 6**, Elisha was showing them that he was taking a dead thing and resurrecting it. He used his faith to make the axe head swim.