

# It Is Well

## 2 Kings 4:22-26

## 2 Kings 4:8-21

- Shunammite woman highly valued things of God
  - **Hebrews 10:13**—some count holy things as common
  - How she responded to the man of God was reflective of her attitude towards God Himself
  - If you look at the humanity of any pastor, evangelist, etc., you will see obvious weaknesses, failures and sin like all other people.
  - If you look at the gift of God, the office, you open your life to receive the gifts God intends for your life through the man or woman of God.
  - Scripture reveals the weakness, failures and sin of nearly every character in The Story. Yet, the same appear as examples of faith to follow.
  - The Shunammite woman chose to look at the prophet, not the man, Elisha.
- Her expectation was rewarded. Her faith became sight. She was given a son.

## 2 Kings 4:22-30

- "It is well." Her faith was speaking.
- People are too quick to announce to the world every thought that passes through the brain.
- People tell their troubles to anyone who will listen.
- People broadcast on social media every negative experience, every ailment, every bad mood, every gripe, every criticism, EVERYTHING!
- "It is well!"
  - **Matthew 9:18-19, 23-26**
  - It is well.
  - **Faith hears what God says on a matter.**
  - Before we speak we should listen! We should lock ourselves into our prayer closet, talk with God, and dig into The Word. We should not come out until we have the Word of the Lord.
  - **Faith then speaks only the Word of the Lord.**
    - "It is well!"
    - "The girl is not dead, but sleeping."
- The Shunammite woman was in deep distress!
  - She poured out her real emotions only to the man of God (elders). Not everyone is helpful to you in the day of distress. You better have developed relationship with real men or women of faith, who can stand with you!
  - When she heard the Word of the Lord she would not be denied!
  - **Faith does not quit.**
  - While hope remains faith never gives up.

## 2 Kings 4:31-37

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## Discussion Guide

Primary Text: 2 Kings 4:22-30

It is well, is not the feeling that overcomes you when going through difficult times. The story of the Shunammite woman is clear picture of faith in what the Lord has said despite what the situation currently looks like. The Shunammite woman chose to look at the prophet, not the man, Elisha. Her expectation was rewarded. Her faith became sight, and she was given a son.

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Faith hears what God says on the matter. Before we speak we should listen. We should go to God in prayer, talk with God, and examine what The Word says. We should not stop seeking until we have the Word of the Lord.

### Questions:

- Hebrews 11:1 defines faith as: "Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." What in your life are you not seeing, but are greatly hoping for?
- Why is it hard to trust in God when adversity strikes?
- What does it mean to trust in God?