



CENTRAL SHELBY CHURCH OF CHRIST

working and worshipping together to serve the Lord



*"Jesus answered and said to her,
'Whoever drinks of this water will thirst
again, but whoever drinks of the water that I
shall give him will become in him a fountain of
of water springing up into everlasting life.'" (John 4:13, 14)*

THOSE WHO ARE WITH US ARE MORE THAN THOSE WHO ARE WITH THEM

Do you ever wonder how you are going to make it through this life?

In the days of Elisha, a "great army" from Syria came to arrest the prophet for 'divulging military secrets.' When this great force surrounded the city with horses and chariots, Elisha's servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" Things looked bleak, indeed.

With all confidence, Elisha answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." Then, Elisha prayed: "Lord... open his eyes that he may see." What happened next proved amazing. "Then the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha" (2 Kings 6:15-17).

Perhaps the LORD will not peel back the heavens today and show us the principalities and powers and heavenly host that are working for Him, but they are there nonetheless (Ephesians 3:10). Would to God that we would all open our eyes and see that "those who are with us are more than those who are with" the world and Satan, our enemies.

Maybe you are struggling with some spiritual weakness and wonder, "How will I ever make it to heaven? It seems the forces of Satan are just so powerful." Perhaps financial debts or health problems (or both) have caused you to doubt that God is truly concerned for you. Maybe you are even questioning whether God truly is actively working for His people as they struggle against the world.

Are you feeling overwhelmed? My brothers and sisters, let us look with the eye of faith beyond this veil of flesh to Him who has all power and authority. Let us never doubt the awesome strength of His might, nor His watchful concern for our state.

"And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire..." -- Think of the power on our side, beloved!

--Mike Noble