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2 Kings 6:31

“Then *the King of Israel* said, “May God do so to me and more also, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat remains on him today.” 2 Kings 6:31

Sin produces awful consequences. The personal sins of the people of God coupled with their national sins had been the cause of this terrible drought. (see Deuteronomy 28:6:28-29). And now, under siege, Samaria is experiencing unspeakable atrocities. (2 King 6:28-29). Extreme pressures naturally reveal the human heart. The depravity of the human condition without Christ is abundantly clear. Paul’s words from the epistle of Romans appear almost kind when contrasted with these Samaritan women. “For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.” (Romans 3:23). Come short? As surely as it has “not entered into the hearts of men, the things which God has prepared for them that love Him” (Isaiah 64:4), we have no real understanding how cataclysmic Adam’s fall was in touching our lives. “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?” (Jeremiah 17:9)

With all of its overt evil, sin also comes subtly disguised in self righteousness to blame those who have the answers and those that can help and turn the awfulness of the present results and fruit of sin around! The servant of the LORD must understand this if he is to take a stand for righteousness, for he may stand all alone!