

## **Unshakable Peace Small Group Guide**

**Warm-up Question:** (Choose one, make up your own, or skip this part all together, depending upon the nature of your group.)

1. What's the most encouraging thing you've heard or experienced in the past week?
2. What's one of your go-to snacks?

**Read the following passage:** 2 Kings 6:8-23.

**Questions for Discussion** (Choose several that are relevant for your group):

1. Because Elisha saw something his servant did not see, his response to the Aramean army was completely different than that of his servant. How would you describe your perspective in this season? (Anxious? Frustrated? Unconcerned? Preoccupied primarily with your own well-being or your family's well-being? Focused on what the Lord wants to do in you and through you?) What influences are having the greatest impact on your perspective? (Your natural temperament? Media? Family members? Netflix? Scripture? What the Lord is speaking to you in prayer?)
2. What disruptions have you been feeling the most the past week? How are you dealing with it? Have these disruptions shown you anything new about yourself?
3. What is your perspective on death? Does your own mortality feel distant and almost unreal to you, or have you contemplated it honestly? Are you afraid to die? What do you believe about life after death?
4. Elisha repaid an army sent to capture him with the blessing of a great feast and a peaceful exit. This was a remarkable example of Jesus' later instructions to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" (Matthew 5:44). How have your interactions with others been over the last week? What can we do to maintain a posture of blessing toward others (even our enemies!) in the midst of uncertain and challenging circumstances?
5. Read Philippians 4:6-9. What should we do when we feel anxious? Are you making a conscious effort to control what you think about? How can you apply verse 8 to your present circumstances? To your relationships? To your work life? To your future?
6. What's one thing you can do to experience greater peace this week? What's one thing you can do to help somebody else experience greater peace this week?

**Pray**