

Happiness In Your Home

A Family Checkup #1



Text: 2 Kings 4:8-17

I. Introduction

- Physical exams can be painful or embarrassing, but they are an absolute necessity.
- There are times when Christians need, not a physical, but a spiritual examination! Have we truly accepted Jesus Christ as our Savior, or have we wandered away from the Lord?
- **Psalm 26:2**
- **1 Corinthians 11:28**
- **2 Corinthians 13:5**
- This morning let's have a brief spiritual, family checkup! We will do this by means of 2 Kings 4, as we discuss the family of the Shunammite woman who sheltered the prophet Elisha, one of the greatest prophets.

II. Her Family Was A Holy Family

- This was a family who loved and respected God and His servants.
- The woman wanted to make a room for Elisha to stay in.

III. Her Family Was A Happy Family

- **2 Kings 4:13**
- **Philippians 4:11**
- **1 Timothy 6:6-7**
- *"What can I do for you?"*
- You must learn to be content. Godliness is great gain with contentment.

IV. Her Family Was A Hurting Family

- **2 Kings 4:16-17**
- **Psalm 127:3-5**
- **Matthew 5:45**
- The Shunammite woman had no children, but the prophet Elisha said she would have a son, and she did!
- Children are a blessing!

- Children create bills and unexpected expenses.
- *Just because you are Christians does not mean that your family is immune to problems...and sins!*

V. Her Family Experienced Sorrow

- **2 Kings 4:18-20,22**
- Where do you turn in times of tragedy and difficulty?
- Tragedy and trouble is a test. Tragedy will drive you apart or pull you together.
- How strong is a family? Judge by their response to sorrow or sadness.
- When you have problems at home, the first thing to do is to go to church!
- Satan tells you not to go to God. Go to God!!! Defeat Satan!!!

VI. Conclusion

Go to God! Go to God! Go to God!