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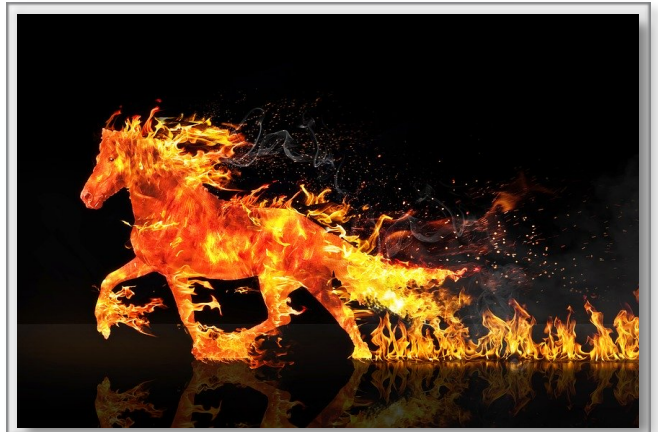
For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7 (New King James Version)

Thought for today...

I am grateful to be blessed with two eyes, which work well (albeit with a little help from glasses or contact lenses). Lately, my focus (forgive the pun), has shifted, and my desire is for my spiritual eyes to become sharper, so that I am better able to discern the things of the spirit.

In the sixth chapter of the second book of The Kings, we read of a prophet by the name of Elisha, who was in what looked to be a very precarious situation.

The king of Syria had waged war against Israel, and had planned strategic points at which to ambush the Israelites with his army, however, Elisha was able to warn the king of Israel about the plans and the Israelites were able to avoid the traps that had been set.



The Syrian king assumed that one of his own officers was a spy - a double agent - but learned that his plans had been foiled due to the man of God, Elisha. Having found where Elisha was camped, he sent a great army with many chariots and horses to surround the city.

When the servant of the man of God got up early the next morning and went outside, there were troops, horses, and chariots everywhere. “Oh, sir, what will we do now?” the young man cried to Elisha. “Don’t be afraid!” Elisha told him. “For there are more on our side than on theirs!” Then Elisha prayed, “O LORD, open his eyes and let him see!” The LORD opened the young man’s eyes, and when he looked up, he saw that the hillside around Elisha was filled with horses and chariots of fire. 2 Kings 6:15-17 (New Living Translation)

Like Elisha's servant, all too often - when things look bleak - I find myself looking at my situation with my natural, rather than spiritual eyes.

My natural eyes will lead me to conclude that the situation I am facing is hopeless, that my numerous problems are insurmountable and so my circumstances will never improve; my spiritual eyes will lead me to conclude that **“With men it is impossible, but not with God; for with God all things are possible.”** Mark 10:27 (NKJV)

Whatever situation you may find yourself facing today, I pray that just as He did for Elisha's servant, the Lord will open your eyes, and that when you look up (note the importance of looking up), you will see the provision, help, resource and solution to your problem, which God has placed on the hillside.



'But there is a spirit in man, and the breath of the Almighty gives him understanding'.
Job 32:8 (New King James Version)