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Donkey Heads and Dove Dung Part 2

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The sound of a mighty army came rushing down on the Syrian camp in the middle of the night. They cried out, "The Assyrian king has hired the armies of the Egyptians to destroy us!" (2 Kings 7:6) Fearing for their lives, the Syrians fled their tents, not taking time to pick up a single thing for their escape. The Bible says that when the abandoned camp was later discovered, even the horses of the Syrians were left behind. Now, you know you're in a hurry when you don't have time to get on your horse. The Syrians were convinced that they were fleeing from the footsteps of an army, but what were they really hearing? They were hearing the footsteps of four lepers.

Amazing. Four lepers were mistaken for an entire army. See, God is ready to make a difference in your situation, but your Heavenly Father can't fight for you if there is no fight in you. These lepers stood on the fringes of the Syrian camp and marveled at the Hand of God. When was the last time you were mistaken for an army?

They soon realized that the Syrians had left everything. There was food, drink, clothes, silver and gold. The lepers feasted in the tents of the Syrians. Back home there were kings and rulers eating donkey heads, but here, on the other side of a hard decision to risk, lepers could eat like kings. And when it came time for them to go back to Samaria, I can imagine them saddling up fine steeds, laden with so much spoil that they left a trail of gold all the way back to the city.

Can you picture the amazement on the faces of the Samaritans? Here come four lepers down the street, with the crowns of kings hanging on their heads. I can hear the lepers saying, "Excuse me. Can everyone just look up from their dove dung sandwiches for a second? To everyone who rejected us and abandoned us outside the gates of the city, we got groceries." You see, when you get results, all the people who said no before are going

to come running.

Those lepers were the most dangerous men in town, because they were willing to take a risk. Would you say, "Yeah, I know I'm eating dove dung, but at least I'm comfortable"? You can eat like a king, but not if you stay where you are. Gain a new understanding, and make a decision, just like the lepers did.

What's for dinner?

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