Sermon Notes – Sunday 15th March
Miracles – 'The Man who saw the unseen'

Read 2 Kings 6:8-23

1. This account from the life of the prophet Elisha represents a great crisis. How can we learn from Elisha's response to the crisis to inform how we respond to the crises we face in our own life/nation at this time?
2. How many occasions do we read in the Bible the words: 'Fear not (or do not be afraid)' recall the different instances.
3. Verse 16 gives the reason why Elisha's servant should not be afraid. How might that reassure you for the present context we face?
4. To what extent do you believe in the all sufficiency of God to meet every need?
5. What does this passage reveal about the omniscience of God – who knows everything? See also Hebrews 4:13.
6. Do you believe in the omnipotence of God? Read about David's experience (Psalm 27:3, 34:7, Jeremiah 32:17,27)
7. How confident are you of God's protection over you? Is psalm 91:11 an encouragement to you?
8. Discuss the relevance of the city of Dothan as the place not only where Elisha was found but also where Joseph was lowered into the pit and began his many years of suffering (Genesis 37:17). Reflect on how Joseph understood what happened to him? How might that encourage you to have faith in God's purposes?
9. If prayer is the means of access to our all sufficient Saviour, how can we use the times to deepen our prayer life with God? (Read Paul's encouragement from Phil 4:6-7 and his own context).
10. As we commune with God in prayer, we gain wisdom to know how to deal with trials when they come to us so that we can respond with peace not a sense of panic. How was this a reality for Elisha?
11. How does prayer open our eyes to see the unseen spiritual realities?
12. How might we be confident of God's protection over us because we are with our Master, Jesus, just as the servant was with his master Elisha? Read Psalm 46.

Prayer: Pray for one another particularly at this time of crisis that we might know God's presence within and through us.