

## **Moving to a new level**

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**Text: 2 Kings 2:11-14**

**Series: -**

· *Proverbs 4:10-13*

*“Listen, my son, accept what I say, and the years of your life will be many. I guide you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life.”*

### **1. LOOK BACK and be grateful for every good thing in the past (v11)**

*“As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind.” · 1 Thessalonians 5:18 “give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”*

### **2. LOOK WITHIN – Let go of the old and see what's new (v12-13)**

*“Elisha saw this and cried out, “My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!” And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his own clothes and tore them apart. He picked up the cloak that had fallen from Elijah and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan.”*

· *2 Corinthians 5:17*

*“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!”*

· *John 12:24*

*“I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.” -  
Methods will change but principles (of God) will remain.*

Creativity is about joining the dots – connecting two old ideas to get a new idea.

~What are the old things in my life that clutter my life?

~Do what God wants me to do!

### **3. LOOK AHEAD and see the power in every new thing you do for God (v14)**

*“Then he took the cloak that had fallen from him and struck the water with it. “Where now is the LORD, the God of Elijah?” he asked. When he struck the water, it divided to the right and to the left, and he crossed over.”*

- Noah built the ark

- Abraham became the father of all nations

- Paul became the Apostle of Faith.

See God’s Power rather than our phobias!

-Fear in itself it’s not our enemy, fears help us realise that we need the strength of God. Responding to fear negatively is our enemy.

· *Philippians 3:13-14*

*“Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.”*