



WEEK 1. THE INVISIBLE REALM OF REALITY
SHANNON CHAPMAN | 06.01.08

Over the next five weeks, we are going to look at some of the many things in our world that simply cannot be explained from a rational perspective. Could it be that there is something more going on? Maybe we are not alone on the planet. It's something that is invisible to the natural eye, but real nonetheless. Let's begin the journey to uncover the Supernatural.

Today we are going to talk about The Invisible Realm of Reality.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE IN YOUR BATTLES

2 Kings 6:15-17, When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh, my lord, what shall we do?" the servant asked. "Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, "*O LORD, open his eyes so he may see.*" Then the LORD opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

There is more than the natural eye can see.

WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HAVING OUR EYES OPENED?

One of the major causes of spiritual ineffectiveness is that we are utterly out of touch and our eyes are closed.

Ephesians 1:17-21, I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength, which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

THE REALITY OF THE INVISIBLE WORLD

God created the visible and the invisible.

Colossians 1:16, For through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him.

There is a daily battle raging all around us.

2 Corinthians 10:3-4, For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world.

Ephesians 6:10-18

Our prayers are more powerful than we know.

Daniel 10:12-14, Then the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day you began to pray for understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your request has been heard in heaven. I have come in answer to your prayer. But for twenty-one days the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia blocked my way. Then Michael, one of the archangels, came to help me, and I left him there with the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia. Now I am here to explain what will happen to your people in the future, for this vision concerns a time yet to come."

What we see in the physical world is not all there really is.

FINAL THOUGHTS

We do not fight for Victory...we fight from victory.

I John 4:4, But you belong to God, my dear children. You have already won a victory over those people, because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world.

May our prayer be....O Lord open our eyes so that we might see.