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Introduction:

As we close out 2017 and look towards 2018 we are going to look at a short Old Testament story in the Bible that used a primitive weapon as a lesson for a king and can serve as a point of instruction and inspiration for us heading into a new year.

The Prophet Elisha

- **The Call:** 1 Kings 19:19-21 (page 301 in pew Bible)

- **The Ask:** 2 Kings 2:9-10 (page 308 in pew Bible)

- **The Handoff:** 2 Kings 2:11-12 (page 308 in pew Bible)

- **Striking the Arrows:** 2 Kings 13:14-20 (page 320 in pew Bible)

Persistence in Ministry

Persistence *noun:* firm or obstinate continuance in a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition.

Persistence at PHBC

- _____ with Persistence.
 - Evaluate _____.
 - Restoration of _____.

- _____ with Persistence.
 - Develop a _____ Prayer Life.
 - Pray in _____.
 - Pray for _____.

- _____ with Persistence.
 - Run Towards _____.
 - Pursue a "_____".
 - Run to the _____ of Others.
 - Run to _____ Relationship.

Striking Your Arrows

"The most civilized churches have really no practical concern for people outside their congregations. The brokenness of a lost and unbelieving world is not enough to inspire the painful changes necessary to make the church relevant to the world in which we live." – Erwin McManus - Unleashed

Personal Response

Striking Your Arrows in 2018

- Preparing ➡ _____

- Praying ➡ _____

- Running ➡ _____

Resources Used:
 ESV Study Bible NIV Study Bible
 Unleashed by Erwin McManus Encountering the Old Testament by Bill Arnold
 Willmington's Survey of the Old Testament by Harold Willmington