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One of his officers answered, "Have some men take five of the horses that are left in the city. Their plight will be like that of all the Israelites left hereyes, they will only be like all these Israelites who are doomed. So let us send them to find out what happened." 2 Kings 7:12-13 (NIV)
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