

Naaman and the Little Servant Girl

Naaman was the commander in chief of the Syrian army, He was a brave, powerful man. He had **everything** - power, riches and a beautiful home **BUT** ... he had a terrible white flaky skin disease called leprosy.



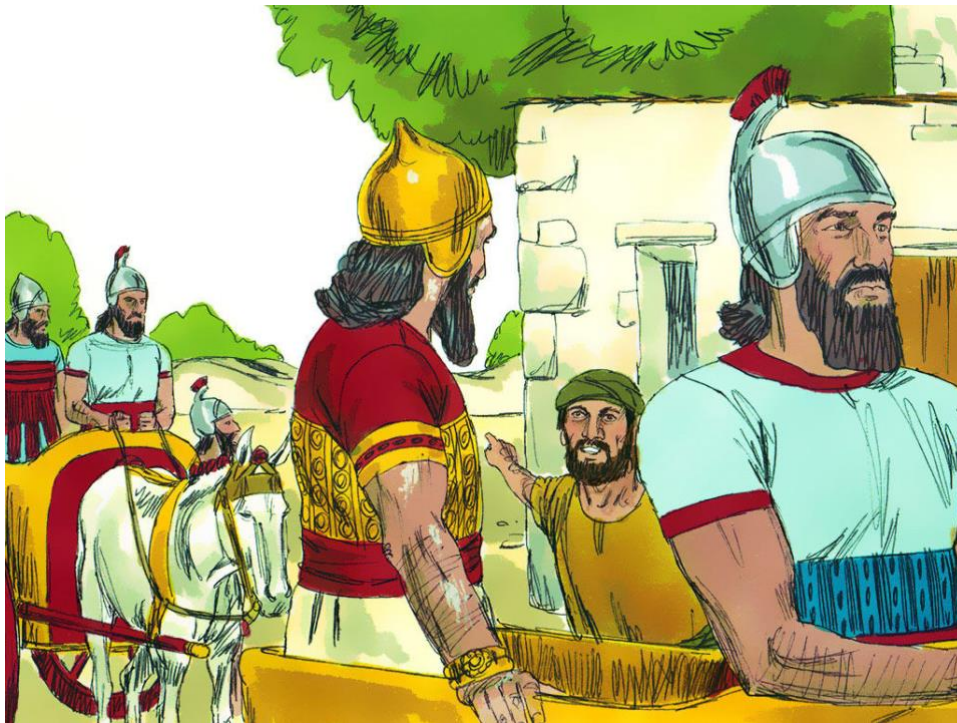
One day Naaman's wife was talking to her servants about her husband's illness. To her surprise, a little servant girl, who had been taken as a slave from Israel by Naaman's army told her,

"I know a man who can cure him." Her mistress looked amazed!



"If only my master could visit the prophet in Samaria!" she said. She was talking about the prophet **Elisha**.

So ... Naaman went and told the King what the little girl had said. The King let him go to Samaria, taking horses and chariots loaded up with ... 750 pounds of silver, 150 pounds of gold and lots of beautiful expensive clothes!

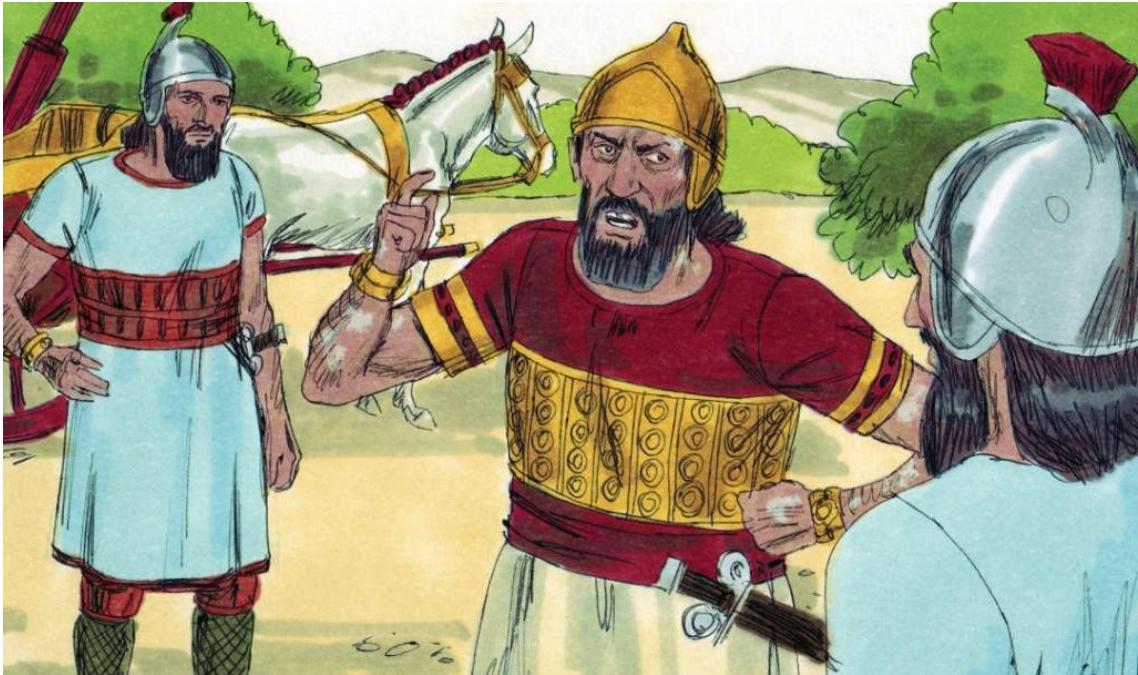


At Elisha's house, Naaman and his procession stopped. Elisha's servant came out and said,

"My master says, 'Go and wash yourself in the River Jordan seven times and you will be healed.'

"Naaman went off feeling angry that Elisha did not speak personally to him.

"Wash myself in that dirty river!" he shouted. "Why? The rivers in my country are much better!"



Naaman's servants said to him,

"Master, if the prophet had asked you to do some great, difficult thing, wouldn't you have done it? **So, surely you can do this simple thing?**"

Naaman knew they were right. He walked up to the edge of the river and took off his shoes. His feet sank in the mud!

He threw off his cloak and his fine clothes and walked into the river. Then he dipped down **once** and came up. He looked at his skin, **but** it was still covered in the terrible white sores.



He held his breath and dipped down again and again

2, 3, 4, 5, 6 times

until he came up the 7th time.

This time as he came up, he saw that his skin on his arms and body was **perfect!!** It was as smooth as a little child's! The disease had completely **vanished!** His servants stared at him in amazement as the great general humbly thanked the one true *God of Israel!*

Naaman dressed quickly and rode back to thank Elisha.

"Now I know," he said, "that there is no other God in all the world!"

He tried to offer Elisha some gifts to thank him. But Elisha refused his gifts and said, "Surely as the LORD lives, who I serve, I will not take anything from you."

So Naaman returned home to his family. They all rejoiced and so did the little servant girl who had been happy to tell her mistress about Elisha and the power of the LORD God of Israel!

Think about this!

Imagine if the little girl hadn't told her mistress about the prophet. Naaman's leprosy would have got worse! No one would even dare to touch him. But because she was kind and spoke about the power of God to heal, Naaman was completely healed and started to believe in God.

This shows that any of us, however young can tell people about our God.

Prayer:

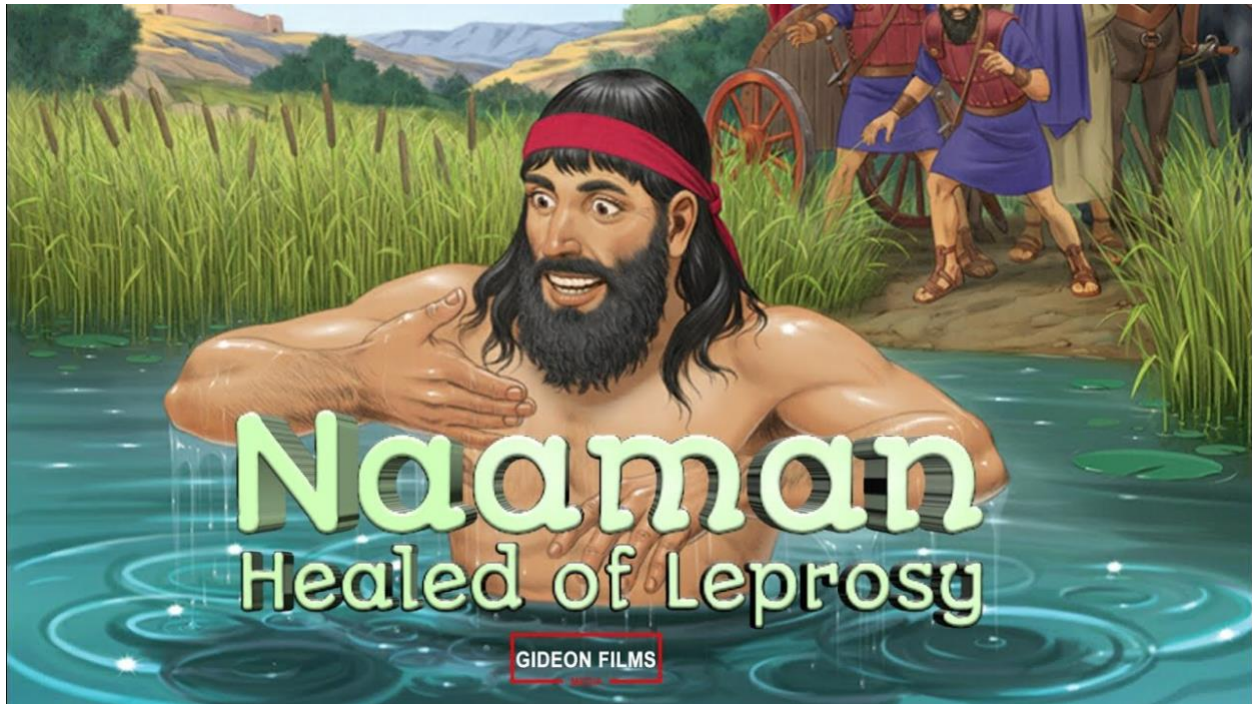
Thank you, LORD God, for that little girl who was brave enough to talk to an adult about you, our Father God.

Thank you that we know that you can heal diseases and do make people better. Help us to be like her and trust in you.

Amen

Ephesians 3:6 says,

"With God's power working in us, God can do much, much more than anything we can ask or think of."



Links for Naaman and the Little Servant Girl

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pmc8sX-fOHY> Kids' Club Moves - Naaman 4:24

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FKMk1burWI> Naaman the Leper 3:28 minutes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HQQWurDzRDRQ> Superbook part 1 Servant girl shares with Naaman 1:55 mins

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JrUZX8gTOqQ> Superbook part 2 Naaman is healed of leprosy

Powerpoint slides with story to read.

<http://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/elisha-naaman/> Powerpoint

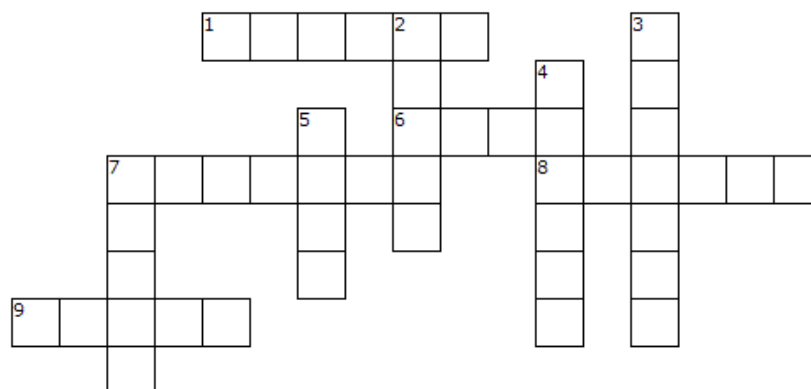
Puzzles

https://sermons4kids.com/naaman_healed_crossword.htm

Naaman Healed of Leprosy

So Naaman went down to the Jordan River and dipped himself seven times, as the man of God had instructed him. And his skin became as healthy as the skin of a young child's, and he was healed! 2 Kings 5:14

Based on 2 Kings 5:1-14



ACROSS

1. The river where Naaman was told to dip
6. The one who told Naaman's wife about the prophet
7. Someone who serves in the army
8. The country where Naaman went for healing
9. How Naaman looked after dipping in the Jordan

DOWN

2. How Naaman felt when he was told what to do
3. The disease that Naaman had
4. The prophet who told Naaman what to do
5. The person Naaman first went to for healing
7. The number of times Naaman was told to dip

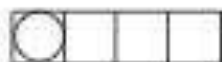
JORDAN	SOLDIER	ELISHA	ISRAEL	ANGRY
SEVEN	GIRL	KING	CLEAN	LEPROSY



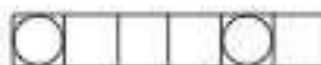
Elisha Healed an Army Captain Word Scramble

Unscramble each of the clue words.
Take the letters that appear in the circle boxes and unscramble them to find the answer to the last phrase.

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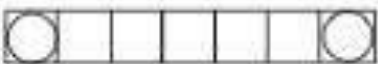
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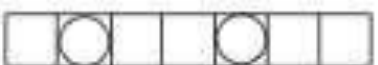
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What did Elisha tell Naaman to do?

W A S H in the **R I V E R**.



S&S link: Christian Life and Faith: Spiritual Insight and Awareness: Healing-1a

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The little servant girl from Israel tells
Naaman and his wife about the prophet Elisha

Naaman was healed of leprosy

