

Boy's Life Returned & Naaman's Leprosy:

2 Kings 4-5

Lesson 79 Visuals

- The Shunammite woman and her husband showed great hospitality to Elisha. They prepared a room in their home so Elisha could stay with them when he was in town.
- Elisha wanted to do something nice for the Shunammite woman in return. Elisha's servant Gehazi said she needed a son.
- Elisha told the Shunammite woman that she will hold a son in her arms about this time next year.
- The son of the Shunammite woman complained to his father that his head was hurting him terribly.
- Later that day, the boy died as he laid in his mother's arms. Then she laid her dead son's body on Elisha's bed.



- The Shunammite woman searched for Elisha until she found him on Mount Carmel.
- The first time Elisha laid across the boy's dead body, the boy's body grew warm.
- The second time Elisha stretched himself over the boy's body, the boy sneezed seven times and opened his eyes. He was alive again.
- The Israelite girl was living in Aram because she had been captured and taken to Aram.
- This Israelite girl worked for Naaman's wife. Naaman had the skin disease of leprosy.
- The Israelite slave girl told Naaman's wife about the miracle-working prophet Elisha who could cure Naaman of his leprosy.
- The King of Aram wrote a letter to the King of Israel. In that letter, the king of Aram asked the king of Israel to heal Naaman.



- Naaman took a reward of lots of silver, gold, and nice clothes with him as traveled to Israel.
- When the King of Israel read that letter, he tore his clothes to show how upset he was.
- When Elisha heard what had happened, he told to King of Israel to send Naaman to Elisha's house.
- When Naaman came to Elisha's door, Elisha did not talk directly to Naaman.
 Instead, he sent a message through someone else.
- The message was that Naaman was to go to the Jordan River and wash seven times to be healed of his leprosy.
- Naaman was so angry because Elisha didn't do what he thought he would do and Elisha's instructions sounded ridiculous to Naaman.



- Naaman's servants talked Naaman into giving Elisha's instructions a try.
- After that seventh time of dipping in the Jordan River, Naaman's leprosy was gone. He was healed.
- Naaman said to Elisha, "Now I know there is no God in all the world except in Israel.
- Elisha did not receive Naaman's reward of lots of silver, gold and nice clothes. He refused to take anything.
- Gehazi lied to Naaman in order to get some of that reward. The consequence of Gehazi's sin was that Gehazi developed leprosy.

Bible Verse: <u>Isaiah 55:8-9</u> "For My thoughts are NOT your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways,' declares the LORD. 'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than Your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts."