



OLD TESTAMENT 2022

Come, Follow Me with *Living Scriptures* STREAMING

Trust in God and His Prophet

2 Kings 2-7

Objectives:

- Emphasize what we can learn from the story of Elisha and Naaman.
Talk about what trusting in God and His Prophet looks like in our lives.

Reinforces Principles of:

- Trust in God, Prophets

Reverence Time

Song: Come Listen to a Prophet's Voice, Hymn #21

<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/music/library/hymns/come-listen-to-a-prophets-voice>

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:15

"And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came, and stood before him: and he said, Behold, now I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel"

Video: Watch this week's clip from the Living Scriptures Streaming Library. Find the clip at <https://www.livingscriptures.com/fhe-lesson-prophets>

Lesson Time

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Lesson

Summary:

Elijah was taken up to heaven and Elisha became the next prophet. Elisha had great faith and performed many miracles with the power of God. Naaman, captain to the king of Syria, was suffering with leprosy. One of the maids in Naaman's household encouraged Naaman to go to Elisha to be healed. Naaman went to see Elisha and Elisha asked him to wash himself in the River Jordan seven times. Naaman was offended, but his servant convinced him to try. Naaman humbled himself and did as Elisha the prophet had asked. He was healed of his leprosy and knew that Elisha was a prophet of God.

Quote:

"The prophet's voice, while spoken kindly, will often be a voice asking us to change, to repent, and to return to the Lord. When correction is needed, let's not delay. And don't be alarmed when the prophet's warning voice counters popular opinions of the day. The mocking fireballs of annoyed disbelievers are always hurled the moment the prophet begins to speak. As you are humble in following the counsel of the Lord's prophet, I promise you an added blessing of safety and peace." Neil L. Andersen

Questions: Trust

Description: Retell the story of Naaman's healing with these paper figures and watch Naaman's "leprosy" be washed away.

What you need:

- A copy of the "Trust in Him" activity, scissors, laminating sheet, red acrylic paint and a bucket of muddy water

Preparation:

1. Print, cut out and laminate the artwork.
2. Cut out artwork again-leaving at least a quarter inch boarder to create a seal so the figure of Naaman can be dipped in water without seeping into it.
3. Paint red spots (leprosy sores) on the character figure of Naaman.

Activity:

(Use the character figures at appropriate times to teach the children the story of Naaman's healing)



1. Naaman was captain to the king of Syria. He was a great and mighty man, but he was a leper (2 Kings 5:1). **Ask: What is a leper? (Discuss ideas.)**



2. In Naaman's home there was a little Israelite maid who was a servant to Naaman's wife. She had great faith and trust in God and His prophet Elisha. She told her mistress that she knew that the prophet could heal Naaman (2 Kings 5:2-3). **Ask: Can our faith and trust in the Lord and His Prophet help others? (Discuss ideas.)**



3. Naaman went to Elisha's house and stood at the door so that Elisha could come out and heal him (2 Kings 5:9). "Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." (2 Kings 5:10.)



4. But Naaman went away angry and said that he would not do what the prophet had instructed (2 Kings 5:11). **Ask: Why was Naaman angry? (Discuss ideas. Emphasize that he was being prideful.)**



5. **Ask: How can pride affect the way we react to what the Lord's Prophet tells us? (Discuss ideas.)**

6. Naaman's servant saw that Naaman's pride was keeping him from being healed. He had faith in the Lord and trusted the words of the Prophet. He said, "My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done it?" (2 Kings 5:13.)



7. This humbled Naaman and he accepted his servants' advice and, "Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean." (2 Kings 5:14.) (Dip figure in water seven times [wipe any excess paint off by hand].)

8. Bear testimony of how faith & trust in the Lord and His prophets will bless our lives.







Treat Time

Gelatin Hearts

Prep Time: 10 minutes
Chill Time: 3 hours



Ingredients: 2 6oz Gelatin Dessert packages
(your favorite flavor)
2 1/2 cups boiling water

Instructions: Prepare gelatin: Mix contents of gelatin packages with boiling water in a bowl. Stir 2 minutes until dissolved. Pour mixture into a 13 x 9 inch pan. Let gelatin set in the refrigerator for 3 hours or until firm.

Read: "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him."
(Psalms 28:7.)

Treat Time: Let family members cut heart shapes from set gelatin with cookie cutters.