



## Family Discipleship Devotional (To Be Led by Parent)

Suggested uses: during family devotions, meal time, long family car rides, etc.

Follow-Up to KidsQuest Online  
October 18, 2020

### Truth (Summary of 2 Kings 5)

During a time when the Israelites were not following God there was a brave soldier named Naaman. He was an army commander for the King of Aram. During war, the Aram soldiers often took people from their homes and families, including a young girl who went to work for Naaman's wife. This young girl told Naaman that there was a prophet named Elisha who could heal him of his skin disease.

So Naaman traveled to Israel to see Elisha but instead of meeting Naaman himself, Elisha sent him special instructions through a messenger, which made Naaman pretty angry. But his servants convinced him to do what Elisha said and wash himself in the Jordan river seven times. When Naaman did this he was healed! Because of this Naaman wanted to thank Elisha with a gift, but Elisha would not accept it. Instead Naaman promised to worship God and went away. But Gehazi, a servant of Elisha, thought he should have accepted the gift, so he went after Naaman to get something for himself. He convinced Naaman that Elisha actually wanted 75 pounds of silver. He brought it back for himself and hid it from Elisha, even though Elisha knew what had happened. Elisha questioned Gehazi about where he went but he lied instead of telling the truth. Because Gehazi lied, he and all his descendants would have the same skin disease that Naaman was just healed of. His lie cost him Elisha's trust.

### Equipping (Discussion questions)

1. **How was the servant girl faithful?** She was taken from her home, yet she cared enough to speak up and had faith to believe that Elisha would heal Naaman
2. **Who is Elisha? (He is a prophet sent by God) What is a prophet?** a person who speaks directly for God
3. **What did Gehazi do wrong? How can we learn from this?** He was greedy and took money from Naaman, then he lied to Elisha and lost his trust. This affected not only him, but his future family. We should be truthful and honest in all things!
4. **How does this story show us Christ?** Like Elisha, Christ asks for nothing but our belief in God in return for healing us of our sinful nature. It is a free gift that we do not deserve.



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### Accountability

1. Has this passage brought any half-truths or lies to mind that you need to confess?
2. Have you seen your lies affect those around you? If so, how?
3. How have you been faithful to God in difficult times recently?

### Mission

Discuss as family:

1. How being truthful to friends and family can help built relationships.
2. Why it is important for parents and kids to have a solid foundation of trust.
3. How being truthful and showing integrity with friends can make the gospel mean more to them.

### Supplication

1. Do you have any prayer requests?
2. Pray for areas in life that it may be hard to show integrity and be truthful.
3. Praise God for loving and forgiving us even when we are not faithful and good.



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