

This week

Westworth Kids

Will be learning about

Naaman is Healed

2 Kings 5:1-19



READ IT

This week's Bible story is
Naaman Is Healed
from 2 Kings 5:1-19.

God uses people in all kinds of places.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Leprosy
- Naaman
- Elisha
- Slave girl
- Seven
- Healing

Naaman was a man of war, a commander of armies that killed God's people—and still God healed him! His name is pronounced, "NAY-uh-muhn." The prophet Elisha's name is pronounced, "ee-LIE-shuh."

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 148-151

Spark Bible pages 405-406

Family Prayer

Thank you, God, for your love. Thank you, too, for surprises! Help us to surprise someone with love! AMEN.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 What helps you feel better when you're hurt?
- 2 What is your favorite thing to do with water?
- 3 Do you have any unexpected helpers in your life? Who are they?
- 4 Talk about ways God might be calling your family to surprise others with God's love.



Eye Spark

Next time you see an adhesive bandage, write the words, "God heals" on it.



Ear Spark

When you see the number 7, count out loud from 1 to 7 to remember how many times Naaman dipped himself in the Jordan River.

LIVE IT

For families to do together

Restock your family's first aid kit this week. Make a second one while you're at it to donate somewhere where those things might be in short supply. Include something fun or a note of love in the kit that you donate. It'll surprise someone at a time when they're hurting.

For younger kids

Surprise someone with a little love when they're hurting—a quick hug or note or homemade card ought to do the trick!

For older kids

Use the internet or go to the library to research leprosy. How is it treated by doctors today? How are people who have leprosy treated in society?

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Name _____

God shows love in surprising ways.

In and Out

Naaman was sick with leprosy. It made his skin feel very sore. Elisha told him to wash in the Jordan River seven times.

Step in, wash, step out – **1!**

Step in, wash, step out – **2!**

Step in, wash, step out – **3!**

Step in, wash, step out – **4!**

Step in, wash, step out – **5!**

Step in, wash, step out – **6!**

Step in, wash, step out – **7!**

Naaman was healed! Praise God!

**I can tell Naaman's
story with words
AND my body!**



Today's Bible story, **Naaman Is Healed**, is from the book of **2 Kings**. The book of 2 Kings is in the Old Testament. The number "2" stands for the word "**second**."

Seven Blessings

God blessed Naaman seven times by having him wash in the Jordan River. God has blessed me, too:



1

2

3

4

5

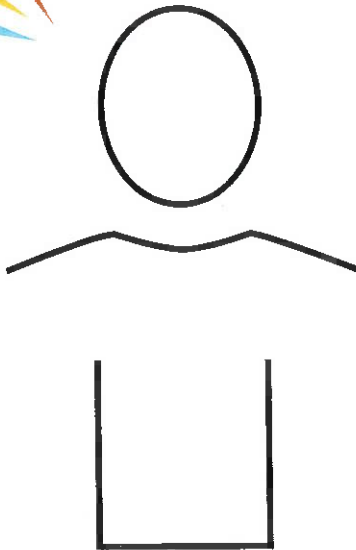
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7

TRY IT!

How Many?

One, two, three, four, five, six, seven. Naaman counted the times he washed in the river. Let's do some drawing and counting too.



How many

- arms do you have? _____
- + eyes? + _____
- + legs? + _____
- + noses? + _____
- Add them all together. = _____

How many

- hands do you have? _____
- + How many thumbs? + _____
- + How many mouths? + _____
- + How many feet? + _____
- Add them all together. = _____

What other body parts add up to 7?

Faith
on the Go!

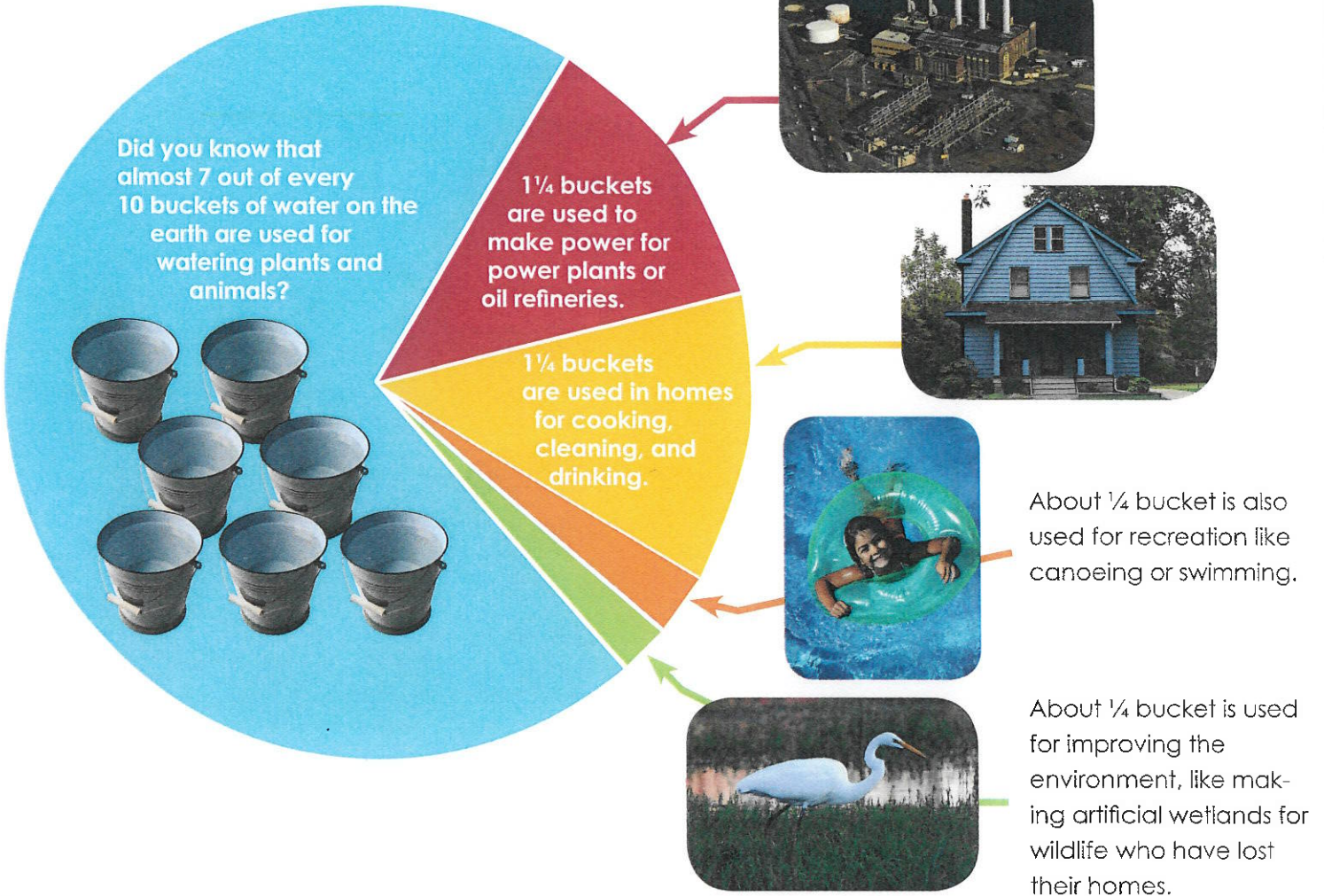
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Wonderful Water

Naaman washed in the Jordan River. This is how we use water today:



God shows love in surprising ways!

To: _____ From: _____ Date: _____

I want to:

- Tell you about Naaman and Elisha
- Count to seven for you seven times
- Surprise you with a drawing
- Go to bed seven minutes early
- Set the table for seven days
- Take a bath without being asked
- Invite you to church
- Give you a big hug
- Say "I'm sorry"
- Pray for you
- My own idea: _____

Naaman Is Healed Word Search

Find the words from the story.

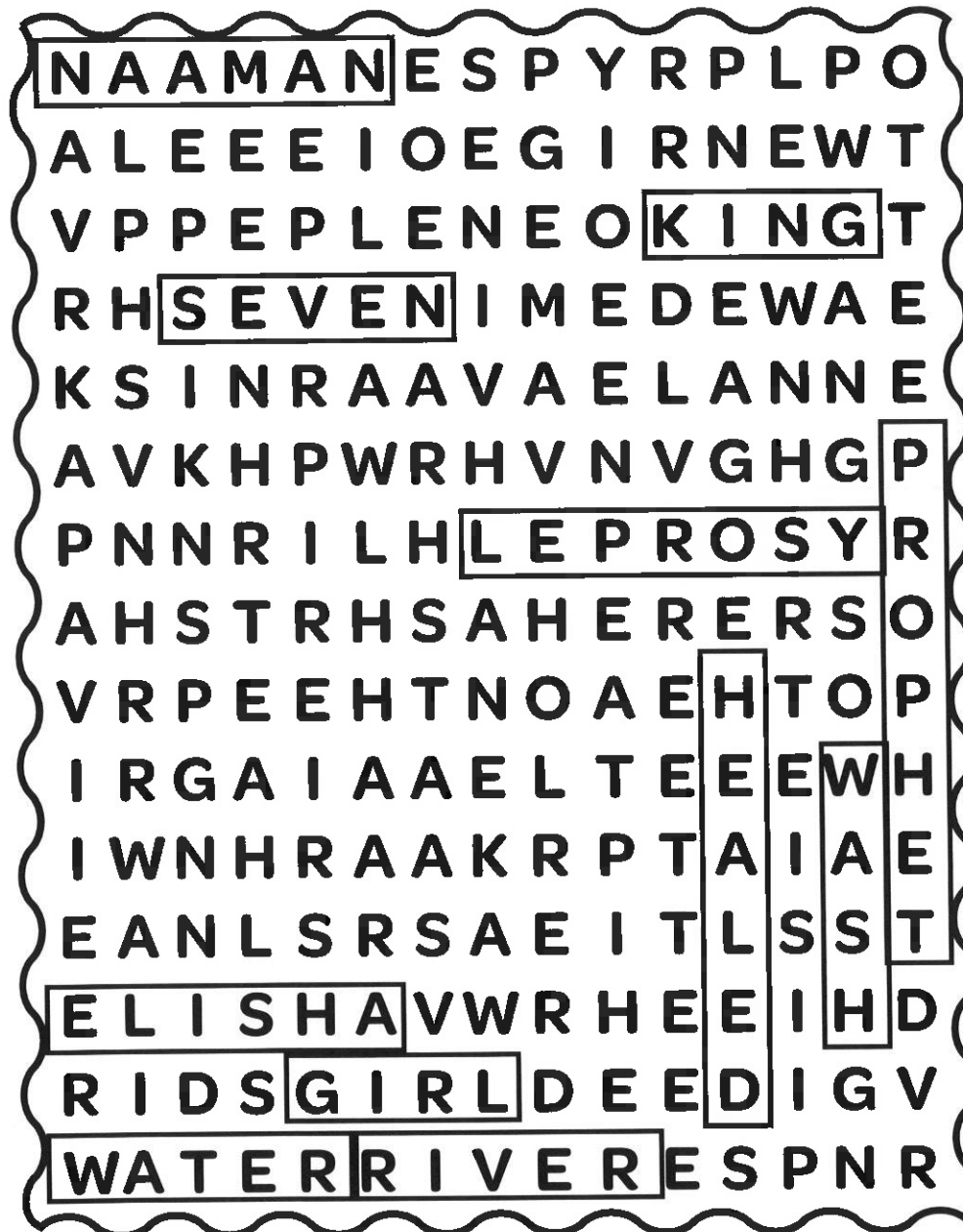


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Naaman Word Search Solution

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“At least try!” Naaman’s servant exclaimed.

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It worked! Naaman was amazed.

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God's love can **change** all of **us**.

I wonder...

- How the young girl was brave enough to suggest Naaman go to Samaria.
- Why Naaman was so angry to be commanded to wash in the Jordan River.
- How God's love changes me.

What's for Lunch?

"Hmph," said Frannie, dropping her lunch bag on the table near Tyler. "I wonder what's for lunch." She scowled as she started to unzip the bag. Tyler wondered what made Frannie so cranky all the time. Cranky in the morning. Cranky when the closing bell rang. Cranky on Mondays. Cranky on Fridays. And right now, cranky at lunch.

"Oh no," she said. "My mom only packed half a lunch for me." She glared at Tyler as if he had been the one who forgot to pack her lunch. "I cannot believe this. I don't have any lunch money and I'm starving. This stupid apple is not going to do it."

Tyler gulped. He looked at his lunch. *I don't need all of this food. It's just one lunch, right?* He looked back at Frannie and tried to smile. "You can have half my sandwich," he offered. "And my mom gave me two brownies because they're my favorite. Here—take one."

Frannie looked surprised. She opened her mouth to say something, but nothing came out. She took a deep breath and tried again. "Thanks, Ty. I'll take a sandwich." She eyed the brownie. "And a brownie...if you don't mind giving it up." She took a bite of the brownie and actually smiled. "I can see why this is your favorite."



One Step Forward, Two Steps Back

Read the story statements below and decide whether Naaman did something positive or negative. For a positive action, take one step forward. For a negative action, take two steps back.



Naaman...

- listened to the young servant girl from Israel.
- took presents to the king of Israel.
- went to Elisha's house.
- was angry when Elisha didn't meet him in person.
- didn't want to wash in the Jordan River.
- listened to his servants and went to the Jordan to wash.
- offered presents to Elisha.
- decided to worship God.



Look It Up!

Read **Mark 1:2-4** about John baptizing people in the Jordan River for healing from sin.



Memory Verse

"Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."
2 Kings 5:15b

Fun Facts

Today there are **medicines** to help people with leprosy.

The name **Naaman** means pleasantness.

In the Old Testament, a **shekel** was a standard weight unit, about 14.5 grams (.5 ounce).

Elisha was a prophet of the northern kingdom of Israel for about 50 years.

Elisha was bald and lived in cities.

The **Abana and Pharpar rivers** run west to east across the plain of Damascus.

Story Weaving

Cut out the story strips. Then cut on the solid lines to make a story grid. Weave the strips into the grid to start a story. Then weave in the other under-over pattern to finish.

Grid

Naaman Is Healed!				
He did	man	nt to	lepr	there.
He tr	man's	ed to	convi	sha's
him to	in Is	in the	Naa	dan
was	He	to wash	heal	Jordan
Naa	Naa	prai	got	God!

Story Strips

Naa	n't wa	had	wash	osy.
Naa	avel	servant	Eli	nced
house	wash	rael.	Jor	man
River.	told	was	in the	ed!
River.	man	man	sed	angry.

Faith on the Go!

Visit a sick friend.

Read about the lives of children your age in other countries.

Write words to a familiar song to tell the story.

Visit a nearby river or stream and see how clean or dirty the water looks.

Every time you wash your hands, **say a prayer** of thanks for God's love and for help in loving everyone.



Naaman's Names and Places

Here are some important words from the story about Naaman. Use the word bank to help you unscramble the letters to form the words. Some are names of people and places in the story.

DERCMOMAN _____

JDORAN _____

PRLESOY _____

PPRRAAH _____

GENSSMEER _____

MAASSDUC _____

BAAAN _____

KLEESH _____

NAANAM _____

IRSEMME _____

SLEIHA _____

LEARSI _____

RAMA _____

HOTPPRE _____

VERSNAT _____

WORD BANK

Abana

Aram

Commander

Damascus

Elisha

Immerse

Israel

Jordan

Leprosy

Messenger

Naaman

Pharpar

Prophet

Servant

Shekel

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JDORAN	<u>J</u> <u>O</u> <u>R</u> <u>D</u> <u>A</u> <u>N</u>
PRLESOY	<u>L</u> <u>E</u> <u>P</u> <u>R</u> <u>O</u> <u>S</u> <u>Y</u>
PPRRAAH	<u>P</u> <u>H</u> <u>A</u> <u>R</u> <u>P</u> <u>A</u> <u>R</u>
GENSSMEER	<u>M</u> <u>E</u> <u>S</u> <u>S</u> <u>E</u> <u>N</u> <u>G</u> <u>E</u> <u>R</u>
MASSDUC	<u>D</u> <u>A</u> <u>M</u> <u>A</u> <u>S</u> <u>C</u> <u>U</u> <u>S</u>
BAAAN	<u>A</u> <u>B</u> <u>A</u> <u>N</u> <u>A</u>
KLEESH	<u>S</u> <u>H</u> <u>E</u> <u>K</u> <u>E</u> <u>L</u>
NAANAM	<u>N</u> <u>A</u> <u>M</u> <u>A</u> <u>A</u> <u>N</u>
IRSEMME	<u>I</u> <u>M</u> <u>M</u> <u>E</u> <u>R</u> <u>S</u> <u>E</u>
SLEIHA	<u>E</u> <u>L</u> <u>I</u> <u>S</u> <u>H</u> <u>A</u>
LEARSI	<u>I</u> <u>S</u> <u>R</u> <u>A</u> <u>E</u> <u>L</u>
RAMA	<u>A</u> <u>R</u> <u>A</u> <u>M</u>
HOTPPRE	<u>P</u> <u>R</u> <u>O</u> <u>P</u> <u>H</u> <u>E</u> <u>T</u>
VERSNAT	<u>S</u> <u>E</u> <u>R</u> <u>V</u> <u>A</u> <u>N</u> <u>T</u>

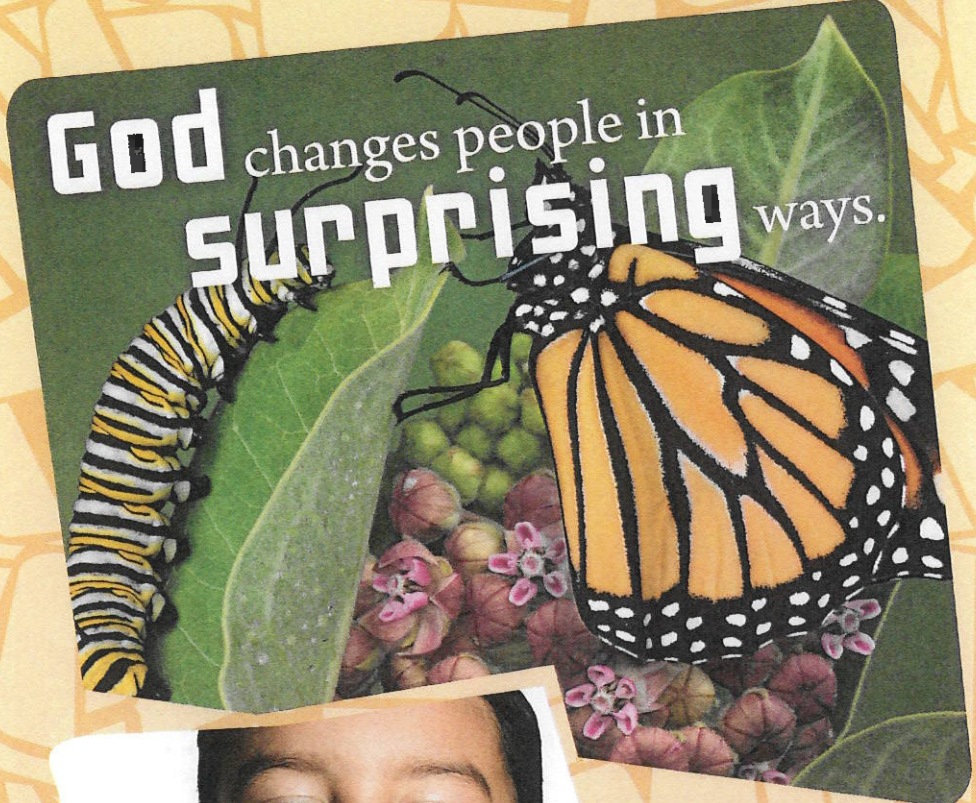
WORD BANK

Abana	Leprosy
Aram	Messenger
Commander	Naaman
Damascus	Pharpar
Elisha	Prophet
Immerse	Servant
Israel	Shekel
Jordan	

Naaman Is Healed



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What's the sickest you've ever been?

Hospital Story



Have you or someone close to you ever been to the hospital? Write about this experience in the space below.

Did You Know?

Water is one of the two most important substances on earth. (Air is pretty important, too.) Here are some things you may not already know about water:

- 97% of the earth's water is undrinkable.
- 75% of your body is water.
- The average person in the North America uses 90 gallons (340 L) of water per day.
- 1.2 billion people do not have access to clean water.
- Drinking 5 glasses of water daily decreases the risk of many types of cancer.
- The average person needs to consume 8-10 cups of water each day.
- 75% of North Americans are chronically dehydrated.





Look it Up!

Leprosy is mentioned throughout the Bible. To see how Jesus cured it, read Luke 17:12-19.

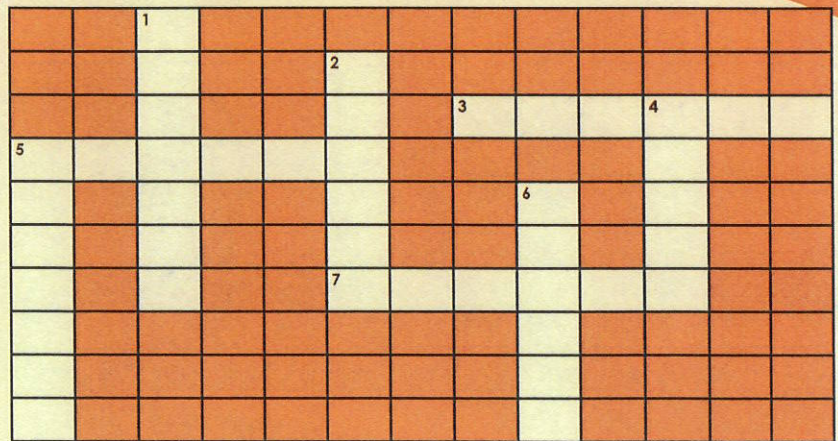
The number 7 is a holy number. It appears over 500 times in the Old Testament. Naaman was told to wash in the Jordan River seven times. Draw lines to match Bible verses with other times the number seven appears.

Seven Up, Seven Down

Genesis 2:3	7 lamps for the Tabernacle
Genesis 7:2-3	7 bulls, 7 rams, and 7 altars for Balaam
Genesis 41	7 sons of Jesse were rejected by Samuel
Exodus 25:37	7th day of creation
Leviticus 13	7 pairs of clean animals and birds on Noah's Ark
Numbers 23:1	7 days of being confined if you have leprosy
1 Samuel 16:10	7 years of famine predicted in Joseph's dreams

Cross-over Crossword

All of the answers to these questions can be found in 2 Kings 5:1-19.



Across

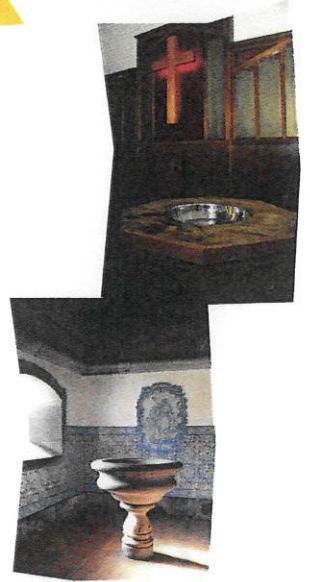
3. Man who healed Naaman
5. Naaman sent this to the king of Israel
7. Commander of the Aram army

Down

1. The King of Israel tore these
2. River where Naaman washed
4. Number of times Naaman washed
5. Disease Naaman suffered from
6. The house where Naaman worshipped God

Conversion Conversation

In church we talk about someone being "converted" when they reject their old way of believing and start to believe in God. Naaman was converted when he was healed of his leprosy. Talk with your classmates about religious conversion. Do you know anyone who converted to Christianity? Many times, a new convert to Christianity will be baptized. Your denomination may not talk about conversion as much as some other Christians do, and you may see mostly baptisms of babies rather than older people in your church. What does conversion in your church look like? How is it different from other kinds of conversions you might see on television or hear about on the news?



Faith on the Go!

When Naaman heard that he was supposed to wash in the Jordan, he went away in a rage! But washing in the Jordan river cured him of leprosy. Even the strangest and most unexpected remedies can bring a cure – especially when God is at work. During the week, search online and ask others for some home remedies that some people might think are a bit odd. One example: use peanut butter to get chewing gum out of a person's hair.



Memory Verse

His flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. 2 Kings 5:14b



Naaman and Numerous Names

The story of Naaman's healing names many people and places. See if you can figure out the name of each person or place by filling in the letters.

N A A I I A N

S E R I A N T G I P I

A P A I

E I C I I A

I S R A E I

J C R D A N

A B A I I A

P I I A R D \ R

Naaman and Numerous Names Solution

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NAAMAN

SERVANT GIRL

ARAM

ELISHA

ISRAEL

JORDAN

ABANA

PHARPAR