



Naaman and Elisha

January 29 - February 12



Naaman was a good man who commanded an army in the country of Aram. But Naaman had a problem. He had a bad disease called leprosy.

"Naaman should go see the great prophet Elisha," said a Hebrew girl who worked for Naaman's wife. "Elisha could heal Naaman" So Naaman gathered gifts of silver, gold, and fine clothes, and set off for Israel. When he finally reached Elisha's house, Elisha didn't even come out. Instead he sent a messenger to Naaman.

"Go and bathe in the Jordan River seven times," said the servant. "And then you will be healed." But Naaman didn't like this message.

"I could have stayed home and bathed in my own river!" said Naaman. "I expected more from this prophet."

But Naaman's servants convinced him to give it a try. And so he did. When Naaman came out of the water the seventh time, he was completely healed!

Naaman said to Elisha, "Your God is the only true God. Please accept these gifts as my thanks."

"As the Lord lives, I will not," said Elisha. For Elisha did not want to be paid for what God had done. And so Naaman went on his way, but Elisha's servant followed him. The servant lied to Naaman and took Naaman's gifts. But when the servant returned, Elisha knew everything.

"Because of your dishonesty," said Elisha to the servant, "you will now have Naaman's leprosy."

Our Memory Verse is:
"All that the LORD has said we will do, and be obedient."
--Exodus 24:7b

What we will learn:

- Students will understand how a servant girl helped Naaman heal of his disease.
- Students will discover how to trust God for help and healing.
- Students will learn that they can encourage others to turn to God when they have difficulties.

What is happening in Cross Walk Workshops?

Produce a TV show in **Good News Station WWJD**.

In **Peter's Theater**, create puppets from the Naaman story and put on a puppet show using them.

Play Naaman Baseball Challenge in **Cornerstone Computer Lab**.

Family Time and Prayer

Read: 2 Kings 5:1-19

Reflection: How can you as a family rely on God when things get tough? What can we learn from this story?

Prayer: Dear God, we know it is important to trust in You when we need help. Please help us remember this. Thank you for sending Naaman as an example of how to live your word. Amen.

Offering: Cross Walk Sunday offerings will go towards the ELCA Malaria Campaign.

Workshop Leaders:



Cornerstone Computer Lab: Lori Johnson



Good News Station WWJD: TBD



Peter's Theater: TBD