

Lesson #1-9

EUSHA HEALS NAVAMAN

2 Kings 5:1-15a



Key Verse:

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

The Point:

God creates opportunities to share God's love and healing with others.

Unit Theme (October 16—November 6)

Living Faithfully in God's Promise

LIMING FAITHFULLY IN GOD'S PROMISE

See characters' faith revealed by their actions.

Supplies:

† Nothing

Instructions:

- 1. What does living faithfully in the promise look like for each of the characters in today's story? Form a group of three to five people with other worshippers sitting near you. Each group should choose a character from the story (Naaman, the servant girl, Elisha, or King Jehoram) and discuss how that person's actions reflect their faith, or lack thereof, in God.
- 2. After several minutes' discussion, the groups can reconvene to share their answers with the large group.

- 3. Answers may include:
 - Elisha heals an enemy of Israel, which shows his understanding that God's promises are greater than the boundaries we create.
 - The servant girl does not keep her saving knowledge to herself out of bitterness, but demonstrates trust in God despite her difficult circumstances and also shows an understanding of God that is bigger than her own people.
 - King Jehoram does not understand that God's love extends beyond Israel.
 - Naaman initially believes God's action involves large, grandiose actions, only to learn that God often works through obedience and simple actions.