

*“How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, ‘Your God reigns.’” -Isaiah 52:7 ESV*

**Lesson 2—Compassion and Conversion—the Girl, the General, and God’s Prophet  
2 Kings 5:1-19**

- I. **The Slave Girl’s Compassion—2 Kings 5:1-7**
- II. **The Prophet’s Direction—2 Kings 5:8-11**
- III. **The General’s Transformation—2 Kings 5:12-19**

**Questions for Discussion**

1. What are your thoughts about Naaman’s life, from verse 1? How is he like people you may know, or like all people?
2. What do you learn about God, from verse 1? How is this both a challenging and a reassuring truth?
3. How would you describe the slave girl and her words? How would you compare her attitude to that of the king of Israel in verse 7?
4. Why might Elisha have sent a messenger out to Naaman rather than meeting him personally? What impresses you about what Elisha told Naaman to do? Why did he resist, and how does that remind you of many people today?
5. What is important to you about Naaman’s transformation in verses 14 and 15? How does his concern about his return to Aram seem to confirm a true heart change? What do you think about Elisha’s response to his question? (verses 17-19)
6. What in this passage might prefigure or point toward the unique truth of salvation in Jesus Christ? Read Acts 1:8 and Acts 4:12.
7. What do you learn from this passage about God’s compassion and great, eternal purpose, ultimately through His Son Jesus Christ? How does this passage speak to you personally?

**Next week: Conflict and Confrontation—Paul and Barnabas, and Euodia and Syntyche**

Speaking in the peace of God and the unity of God’s people—Acts 15:36-41; Philippians 4:1-9.

How is God calling you to release, not His truth, but your own preference or a strong opinion for the sake of the unity of His people?