

## Wednesday

Read 2 Kings 5:9-10 *Elisha prescribes a cure*

### Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Why did Elisha send a servant out to greet Naaman?*
2. *How do you respond when important plans get changed?*

**Prayer Focus** Redeemer, thank you for all those who offer a word of help, kindness, healing, in our everyday lives, even if it's not what we thought it should be. Thank you for having a different, better plan.

## Thursday

Read 2 Kings 5:11-12 *Naaman rejects Elisha's advice*

### Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Why did Naaman get so angry?*
2. *Naaman believes his homeland is better than Israel. Why is this a problem?*

**Prayer Focus** We don't always like surprises, God. We want news and events to go according to our expectations and fit in with our plans and point of view. Help us set down our checklists of what we want, and try to see in a new way, through your eyes.

## Friday

Read 2 Kings 5:13-14 *Naaman is washed clean*

### Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Why did the servants think Naaman was skeptical of Elisha's advice?*
2. *Where in your life do you need to change your mind? What might be the result?*

**Prayer Focus** God, let us calm down and listen to the ones we believe to be our servants. Cool our tempers and free us to see how you have made a way for us to be restored and ready to live again for you. Turn us to you and to your Son, and to your Holy Spirit.

## Turn Your Eyes

**Pastor's message: 2 Kings 5:1-14** *God has called us to be His servants although we're imperfect. When we set aside our agenda, we experience God's saving grace.*

### Message Notes:

## Small Group Format

### Welcome

- Introductions/getting acquainted
- Mutual Invitation question: *Have you ever had your plans changed at the last moment? How did you react?*

### Opening Prayer

### Song (optional)

### Reflection on Scripture

Have someone read: **2 Kings 5:1-14**

- Discuss observations about the text
  - *What word or phrase strikes you the most?*
  - *What do you think is the most important point of the text?*

*Application of Scripture (The central transformative questions)*

- What did you hear God say to you through this week's Scriptures?
- What are you doing about it?
- How can we support you?

### Share your faith (in groups of 3)

- *How have you experienced God recently in your life?* (This is a weekly question - it may be difficult to answer at first, but if you ask it each week you may start to notice God more in your life.)

### Pray for each other

### Refreshments (optional)



## TURN YOUR EYES

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### Monday

Read 2 Kings 5:1-6 *Naaman's illness*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *How important was Naaman to the king?*
2. *Why did the king believe the word of the servant girl?*

**Prayer Focus** We have trouble listening to those we think are weaker or not as wise, those we overlook, sometimes. Open our eyes, God, so we can be more like Naaman and his king, who looked for healing news from a lowly, unexpected place.

### Tuesday

Read 2 Kings 5:7-8 *Elisha advises Israel's king*

Questions for Reflection and Application

1. *Why was the king of Israel suspicious of Aram's king?*
2. *Take a moment to reflect and pray for the leaders of the world. Is it difficult for you to do so? Why?*

**Prayer Focus** We're afraid to entertain others or even help them because they are outsiders, or not like us. We prepare for the worst when we see them coming. As you showed the king of Israel, thank you for those who point the way to move past distrust into peace and healing.