

Buzz Spring 20 Week 11

God Heals Naaman's Leprosy

2 Kings 5:1-16

Bible Point: We believe God knows best.

Tip for Children's Ministry Director:

If you're sending this lesson to families, send it as is! If you're recording a video, either pause for the discussion questions or tell families to pause the video while they share.

Bold text is spoken text.

Buzz Bond

Each person will share one thing they like most about themselves, and one thing they like least about themselves.

God Sightings

To help kids look for God all the time, tell about a time this week you saw God at work in your life. Then encourage your kids to share stories of their own.

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Word Smart: Advise It!

Supplies: a bowl of warm soapy water (use dish soap to make it bubbly), a bowl of warm water with no soap, towels, paper, pencils

Read aloud 2 Kings 5:1. Everyone will grab handfuls of soap and place them on their arms so they look like leprosy spots. SAY: **Right now, a lot of people are worried about catching the Coronavirus, or COVID-19. In Bible times, there was a really easy-to-catch disease called leprosy! It made people's skin look bubbly and gross.**

Read aloud 2 Kings 5:2-3. Everyone will walk slowly across the room. Read aloud 2 Kings 5:9-11 while everyone acts like Naaman. Have everyone remain standing as you discuss this question.

ASK: Tell about a time something didn't go the way you expected. Maybe you've missed out on a fun event because of having to stay home for Coronavirus.

Read aloud 2 Kings 5:13-14. Everyone will get rid of their "leprosy" spots by dipping their arms seven times in the bowl of plain water, then drying off with a towel. Everyone will sit together in a circle on the floor.

SAY: Naaman's servant and officers were pretty smart. They gave him good advice. Take one minute and write some advice to Naaman, reminding him about the time God healed him.

Allow time to write simple advice to Naaman. Any kids who can't write can say their advice while someone older writes it down. Then everyone will read aloud their advice.

ASK: How would your advice for Naaman still be good advice today—especially to someone who is scared about Coronavirus?

Why are we, like Naaman, sometimes unwilling to trust God's direction?

SAY: Sometimes it's harder to see God at work when he doesn't work the way we expect him to. Right now, it can be hard to trust that God is working because Coronavirus is scary. But WE BELIEVE GOD KNOWS BEST. Keep your advice to Naaman handy this week, and think about how it might apply to you.

People Smart: Guess It!

Form pairs, and have partners stand facing each other with their hands behind their backs.

SAY: Let's see how good you are at guessing what's going to happen. The person wearing the most green will guess first. On the count of three, guess how many fingers your partner is holding up behind his or her back. Also at the count of three, your partner will reveal the number of fingers.

Play several rounds. Then switch roles and play a few more rounds.

ASK: How well did you guess the number of fingers your partner was holding up?

Why couldn't you get it right every time?

Explain whether you believe God always knows what's going to happen.

How does knowing that God knows the future help you trust that God will do the best thing in every situation?

SAY: God knows the future, so he always knows what's best for us. Naaman finally learned that lesson, but it took him a while. Let's not be like Naaman. Let's remember that God knows what's best in every situation. WE BELIEVE GOD KNOWS BEST.

Buzz In Action

Each person can choose one of these two actions:

- Share how you can share today's Point (we believe God knows best) by your *example*, not your words.
- Think of someone who needs encouragement. Share how you're going to use today's point (we believe God knows best) to help that person.

Let's Pray

Write the names of three people (or draw three people) you can pray for this week. Keep your list by your bed, and say a prayer for them each night.