



THE GOSPEL PROJECT JR. Unit 13.3 Elisha and Naaman

Date: Sunday October 25, 2026 **Teachers:** Brittany, Meg (co-lead)

Bible Passage: 1 Kings 19, 2 Kings 2, 5 **Key Passage:** Hebrews 1:1-2

Props: from home:

At centre: 'Who is sick' activity sheet x2, inkpap/paper, bandaids/activity sheet

Review Rules:

One Mouth speaking at a time (Teacher points to mouths/kids point to their mouths)

Two Hands kept to myself (kids wiggle hands and keep them to themselves)

Two Feet kept to myself (kids cross legs)

Speak Kind words of love like our God three in ONE!

BIBLE STORY INTRO:

Brittany

Elisha was the prophet that came after Elijah. The book of 2 Kings tells us a lot about Elisha. Elijah and Elisha were both prophets of God, and their names are both kind of similar. Can you think of people in our church that share the same name, adults and kids? (make a list on the whiteboard)

Today we will hear a story about a miracle that God performed to heal a man who was very sick. Miracles are evidence of God's great power. He shows that He is the one true God who alone deserves worship. It also points to the way things are meant to be...creation at wholeness, our bodies whole, relationships whole. Sin and evil disconnected us from God, one another, ourselves and creation and we see this split in every aspect of our lives. It's good to be reminded of God's desire to restore all things, our bodies, our relationships and the earth, but through Jesus, our relationship with God is restored!

BIBLE STORY VIDEO: ELISHA AND NAAMAN

DISCUSSION VIDEO

Brittany

Explain that nothing can cure a cold; we can take medicine to treat symptoms of a cold—a stuffy nose, a sore throat, or a low fever—but we cannot make it go away.

In our Bible story God miraculously healed Naaman. Do you think there is sickness in God's realm? NO! In the beginning of the world when Heaven and earth met (God's realm and humanity's realm) there was no sickness!

Sickness is a result of a world that is broken, broken from the rebellion in the garden, broken from sin which is our disconnection from God, one another ourselves and the earth.

When God heals, which still happens today, God is actually bringing the more "true" realm (our future new creation) into this broken realm, that's what happened when Jesus walked the earth and healed people, he was pointing to the truer place of peace that is to come. We can pray and ask God to heal when we are sick and we can know that one day we will be healed of all our sickness and all of our pain and grief in the New Heavens and the New Earth.

GOSPEL GEMS Have kids repeat with actions:

Meg

There is no one like God. (Shake head and wave finger no)

God is our healer (point up to God and cross hands over heart)

There is ONE TRUE GOD (kids show 1 finger)

KEY PASSAGE: play key passage song

Meg

**Kids should know pretty well by now, ask them to stand and sing and follow along with the actions!*

"Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son. Hebrews 1:1

SING A SONG: Sing to the tune of "Row, Row, Row Your Boat" :

Brittany

"One, one, only one—there is just one God!

He made us, and He is our Lord. There is one true God!"

There is one true God. God made us, and He sent Jesus because He loves us.

ACTIVITY: "Who is sick" materials: activity sheetx2, split into 2 groups, one teacher with each group

Guide the kids to circle the people who look sick or injured. (Answers: football player, man holding stomach by lamp, man in overalls with dots on face, child slouched in chair holding stomach)

In today's Bible story, an important man named Naaman was sick. He went to God's prophet Elisha for help. Elisha's instructions for Naaman seemed silly. Do you remember what Elisha told Naaman to do?

ACTIVITY: "Ink Skin" materials: inkpad, paper (maybe do in 2 groups if you can, will need to share inkpad)

Show the kids how to press their finger onto an ink pad and then onto paper to create a fingerprint.

Guide kids to compare their fingerprints with the fingerprints of their friends. Point out how everyone has different fingerprints. Skin is an important part of our bodies. Naaman had a problem with his skin, but God healed Naaman.

When Naaman washed in the river, his skin got better. We have a problem that is not a sickness we see with our eyes, on our skin, we have a problem that is a sickness We are all sick with a sin problem that leads to death. No one can obey God all

the time. When we trust in Jesus, He heals us. God forgives us and makes us well.

ACTIVITY: " Up and down 7 times"

In the story Elisha told Naaman to dip in the river 7x. Invite toddlers to stand with you and then crouch down seven times and count every time you do. God told Naaman to wash in the Jordan River seven times. Naaman obeyed God, and God healed him. THERE IS ONE TRUE GOD!

ACTIVITY/CRAFT: "one true God" materials: bandages, colouring sheet

Provide adhesive bandages and a colouring sheet to every child. Invite children to stick the bandages like stickers to the paper. Naaman was an enemy of God, but when the prophet Elisha told him that God would heal him of his disease, he listened to Elisha and did what he said, he dipped into the Jordan River 7x and when he did, God healed him. God wanted to show Naaman that He was the true God. God sent Jesus to heal the world of the sickness of sin and evil, when we trust in Jesus he gives us new hearts and makes us whole. Encourage kids to colour and decorate their person

PRAYER: Father, you are the one true God, You deserve our praise, Father, Spirit, Son.

FREE PLAY/ SNACK