Lost In The Credits

Gehazi

(2 Kings 4-5)

Introduction: 1. One of the hardest lessons to learn as Christians is that we are servants.

- 2. Jesus was a servant (Mark 10:45) and we are to be just like Him in that respect (Romans 8:29).
- 3. In 2 Kings, we read of a servant of Elisha by the name of Gehazi and his struggle with developing the heart of a servant.

I. Exclusivity

- A. (2 Kings 4:27).
- B. Gehazi was interested in the welfare of his master.
- C. But he was overly protective and overly possessive.
- D. (Numbers 11:24-30) Joshua and Moses.
- E. (Mark 10:13-16) Jesus and Little Children.
- F. (Mark 9:38-41) John and disciples.

II. Failure

- A. (2 Kings 4:31-41).
- B. Gehazi is obedient, but Elisha gets all the glory, thanks, and praise.
- C. To add embarrassment to his frustration, Gehazi (?) nearly poisoned everybody when asked to make a stew.
- C. (2 Kings 5:9-12).
 - 1. In all probability, Gehazi was the servant Elisha sent to Naaman.
 - 2. Gehazi was just being obedient, and took all the verbal abuse.

II. Greed

- A. (2 Kings 5:15-27).
- B. Gehazi wanted the reward that Naaman had offered for his healing.
- C. Gehazi disobeyed the will of his master, lied to Naaman, and lied to Elisha, and paid the consequences.

Conclusion: 1. It's difficult to be a servant.

- 2. But learn to let it be enough.
- 3. (Romans 16:23).