

The Gospel in a Young Girl

(2 Kings 5:1-19)

- Introduction:
1. Illustration of facets of a diamond which give off different colors.
 2. Likewise, the way in which we look at Scripture will determine what we see in a text.
 3. A key to greater insight into the Bible and increasing one's Bible knowledge is to look at familiar stories from different perspectives.
 - a. The story of Joseph.
 - b. The story of David and Bathsheba.
 4. Tonight, let us examine the amazing story of the cleansing of Naaman, but instead of looking at Naaman, let us see what we can learn by focusing upon his young servant girl.

I. She Was Compassionate

- A. (2 Kings 5:3).
- B. Consider what had happened to this girl.
- C. She was forced away from everything she knew and loved.
- D. Yet, she showed concern for her master.
- E. (Luke 9:54).
- F. Do you love the lost? Do you love those who hurt you?
- G. Should we not have the same love for the lost today?

II. She Was Confident

- A. (2 Kings 5:3).
- B. She was sure that the prophet could do him good.
- C. Do we believe in the power of the gospel (Romans 1:16)?

III. She Was Convincing

- A. (2 Kings 5:4-5).
- B. Naaman believed her.
- C. Can't you imagine all the questions that must have been asked?
- D. Do we present the gospel in as convincing a fashion?

IV. She Was The Connection

- A. (2 Kings 5:3).
- B. She was responsible for bringing Naaman and the prophet together.
- C. Though the prophet spoke the word and God provided the power, this girl was the instrument that brought Naaman to his healing.
- D. Have we allowed ourselves to be used as this young girl?

- Conclusion:
1. Everything this young girl did a long time ago, are the things we need to be doing today with respect to the gospel.
 2. May we be as compassionate, confident, convincing, as was this young girl and help people make a connection with Jesus.

