Israel & The Red Sea

- The water saved them from the Egyptian army.
- It also separated them from slavery & bondage.
Naaman & The Jordan River
• 2 Kings 5:14-17.
• By dipping in the water in obedience to God, Naaman was cured.
• He was given a new body – flesh like a baby.

Noah & The Flood Waters
• Genesis 6-7.
• 1 Peter 3:20.
• The waters destroyed the wicked.
• The waters gave Noah a new life.
Ourselves & Baptism

- Like Israel – we gain victory and are no longer slaves (1 Peter 3:20-21).
- Like Naaman – we are born again (Jn 3:3-5).
- Like Noah – we are given a new life (Romans 6:4)

In none of these cases is the saving power in the water, itself.
- The saving power is in God.
- But throughout history, God has used water as an instrument to accomplish salvation.
- Therefore we should not be surprised that God connects water with salvation today.
- Mark 16:16.