



November 4, 2018
2 Kings 5:1-15a [16-19]

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

O God, you call us to humble ourselves in the face of your wisdom. Open our minds that we might be enlightened beyond the limits of our own expectations, and heal us through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy!"

(2 Kings 5:10-11)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Naaman has pinned a great deal of hope on Elisha's ability to heal his leprosy. But how will this great and favored commander respond when, after such a long journey, the prophet tells him to simply take a dip in the river?



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household or community.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Who in your community stands out as one who will stand up for the oppressed, poor, or silenced? How might you support such a person in their work?

What miracles have you witnessed? Where have you seen God at work in the world this week?

For the littles: Do you swim or take baths? Do you like the water? Why or why not? God can do many things with water.



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

God who blesses all, help us hear your word and obey it. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Visit someone who is sick. Bring a meal, send a card, or simply sit and visit.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Monday, 2 Kings 2:13-18, *Elisha Succeeds Elijah*

Tuesday, 2 Kings 2:19-25, *Elisha Performs Miracles*

Wednesday, 2 Kings 4:1-7, *Elisha and the Widow's Oil*

Thursday, 2 Kings 4:8-37, *Elisha Raises the Shunammite's Son*

Friday, 2 Kings 4:38-41 *Elisha Purifies the Pot of Stew*

Saturday, 2 Kings 4:42-44 *Elisha Feeds One Hundred Men*

Next Week, Micah [1:3-5] 5:2-5a; 6:6-8,
Mercy, Justice and Peace