

God Helps Naaman

2 Kings 5:1-16



What do you do when you have a scrape or a cut on your skin? Listen to hear what one man did when he had terrible sores on his skin.



Naaman was a leader in the army. Naaman had a terrible problem: He had a sickness called leprosy. The sickness made painful **sores** on Naaman's skin. Naaman knew he would get sicker and sicker. He might even die! His family must have been very sad.



Naaman's wife had a servant girl. This girl was from Israel. She knew that in Israel there was a man named Elisha who loved God. God helped Elisha do amazing things. The servant girl said, "I wish Naaman would **go** to see Elisha." The girl thought Elisha might be able to help Naaman.

Right away Naaman's wife told Naaman the news about Elisha. Naaman decided to go see Elisha. The king of Naaman's country wrote a letter to the king of Israel. Naaman took the letter. He also took gifts of silver, gold and clothing. Naaman went to the king of Israel. The king read the letter. It said: "Here is Naaman. I want you to make his sickness go away."



But the king said, "I'm not God! I can't make Naaman well!"

Soon, Elisha heard about Naaman's visit. Elisha asked the king to send Naaman to him. Naaman came to Elisha's door. Elisha's servant talked to Naaman. "Go and wash yourself **seven** times in the Jordan River," the servant said. "Then you will be well."



At first Naaman was angry. He didn't want to wash in the Jordan River. It was too muddy! But then Naaman changed his mind. He walked to the river. He waded in. He **ducked** under the water, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven times. He wiped the water from his eyes. He looked at his skin. The sores were gone! Naaman was all well! Naaman said, "Now I know there is only one God—the one true God!"

God helped Naaman by making him well. God was good to Naaman!



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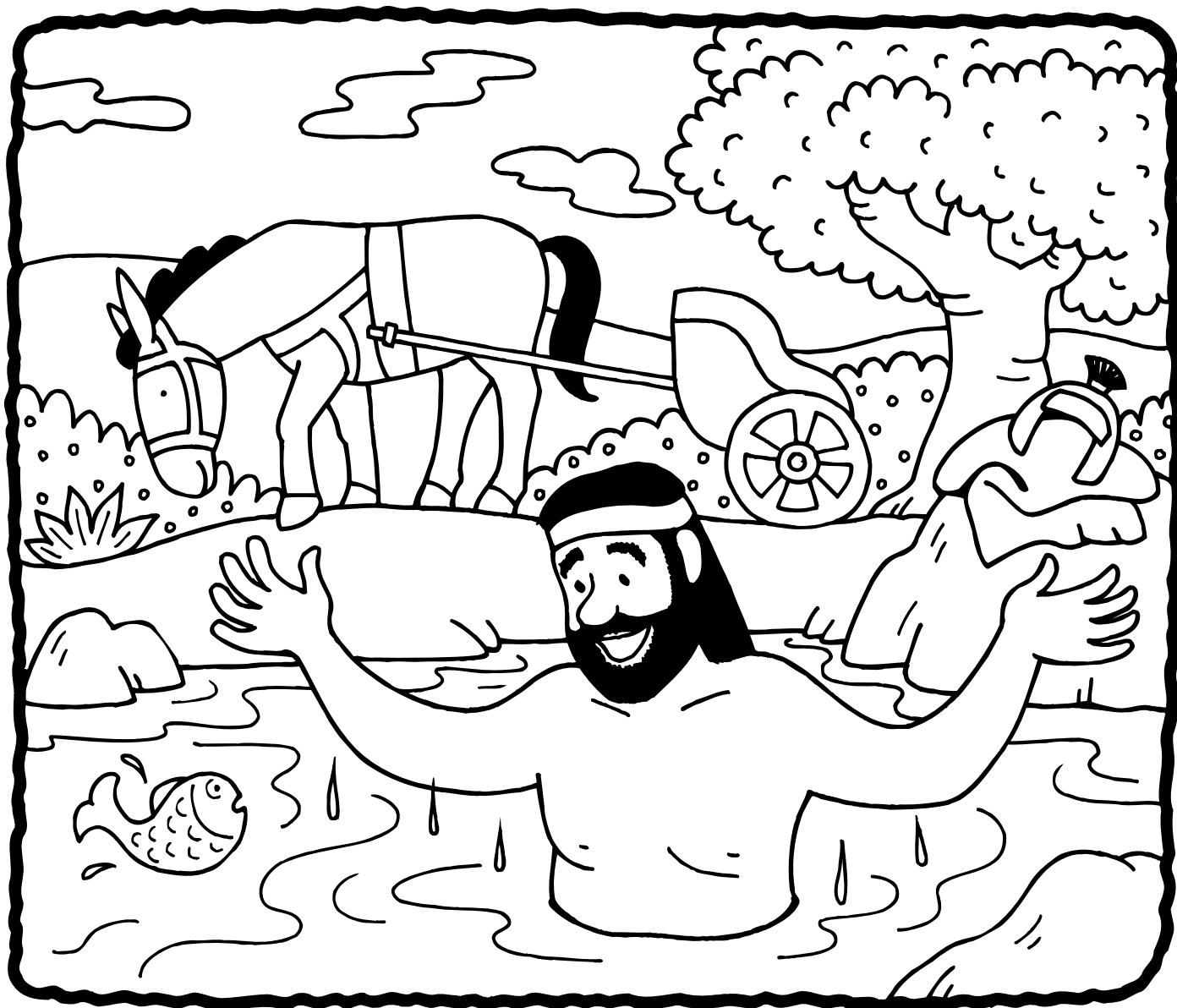
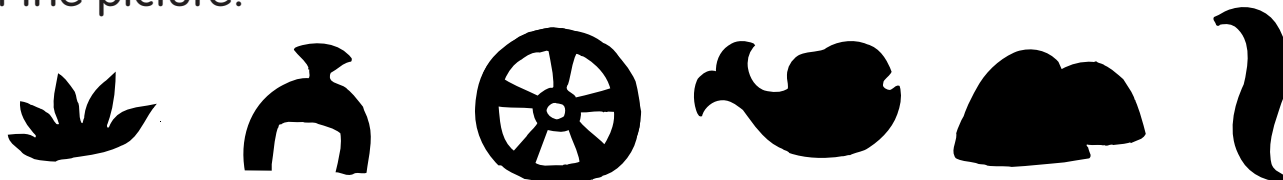
Summer Unit 2:
God Cares for His People

Bible Verse:
"Whenever I'm afraid, I will trust in You."
Psalm 56:3

God's Word & Me (Bottom Line):
God is powerful and can always help me.



Draw lines to match each shadow to its shape in the picture.



God showed His power by making Naaman well. God is powerful and can help us, too! The Bible says, "Lord, you are great and powerful." (See Jeremiah 10:6.)



God showed His power when Naaman went into the river 7 times. Say the word **powerful** 7 times, as fast as you can.