

NARRATOR #1:

Meet Gehazi. Wave to the crowd, Gehazi. Gehazi was the servant to Elisha. Elisha say, "Hello." Elisha was a prophet of God. He shared God's words with the people of Israel. Gehazi was Elisha's trusted servant, and he's the main character in our true story straight from the Bible. Now, get ready because we're going to watch as Gehazi faces a true test of his integrity when he meets a guy named Naaman.

It's important to know that Israel—where Elisha and his servant Gehazi lived—were enemies with Aram. And Naaman, say "Hey," Naaman. Naaman was an army commander for the king of Aram. He was a brave soldier, but he had a big problem. See those terrible sores? Hold out those arms Naaman. Naaman had a skin disease, and it was really painful.

There was a servant girl from Israel who had been captured and taken to Aram. She said that there was a prophet in Israel, a man named Elisha, who could heal Naaman. Naaman went straight to the king of Aram. King of Aram give us a wave. Naaman told him what the servant girl had said about the prophet Elijah. The king of Aram told Naaman that he should go. He gave Naaman a letter to give to the king of Israel that asked to heal Naaman of his skin disease.

SMALL GROUP LEADER: SWITCH!

NARRATOR #2:

The king of Israel read the letter and was upset. Show us how upset you are king of Israel. He was upset because he didn't think he could heal Naaman. Elisha heard what had happened and sent the king a message to tell Naaman to come and see him. So Naaman went to see Elisha. Elisha's messenger came out and told Naaman to wash in the Jordan River seven times to be healed. Naaman was angry because Elisha himself didn't come out to heal him. But Naaman's servants convinced him to go down to the Jordan River. Go ahead Naaman. After seven times in the water, Naaman was healed. Take off all those stickers, Naaman. Your painful sores are gone.

Naaman went back to Elisha and tried to give him a gift to say thank you. But Elisha said he wouldn't accept it. And now, Gehazi comes into the scene. As Elisha's servant, Gehazi thought Elisha should have accepted Naaman's gift. Gehazi decided to go after Naaman and get something for himself. So after Naaman and his servants left to go back home, Gehazi ran after Naaman. Gehazi lied and said Elisha had asked for 75 pounds of silver and two sets of clothes. Naaman agreed and gave Gehazi twice the amount of silver he asked for.

Gehazi hid the gifts in Elisha's house. Go ahead Gehazi, try to cover it up by hiding those. But Elisha knew the truth. So, Elisha asked Gehazi where he'd been. Gehazi lied and said he hadn't gone anywhere. Elisha told him he knew the truth because his spirit had gone with Gehazi. Elisha told Gehazi that because he deceived Naaman then lied about it, Gehazi and his family would have Naaman's terrible skin disease.

What to Do:

Print one for each small group.

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