

# **THE CURE**

## **II Kings 6**

**As we follow this account we'll discover some wonderful things about "the cure."**

### **I. THE CURE FOR A DISEASED FLESH** (1-19)

#### **A. NAAMAN'S CONDITION** (1-12)

1. He is Desperate (1-7)
  - a. He is distinguished but diseased (1)
  - b. He is eager for a remedy (4-5a)
  - c. He is ready to pay handsomely for a cure (5b)
  - d. He is frustrated by an international crisis (6-7)
2. He is Arrogant (8-13)
  - a. His posture (8-9)
  - b. His pride (10-13)

#### **B. NAAMAN'S CLEANSING** (13-19)

1. Restored Flesh (13-14)
2. Changed Heart (15-18)
  - a. A confessional heart (15a)
  - b. A grateful heart (15b)
  - c. A worshipful heart (17)
  - d. A sensitive heart (18)
3. Amazing Testimony (19)
  - a. His soldiers have heard his confession and others will too
  - b. The king will learn of his cleansing
  - c. His family will see the drastic change in his appearance and health
  - d. His neighbors will observe his new devotion to Jehovah

### **II. THE CURE FOR A DISEASED HEART** (20-27)

#### **A. GEHAZI'S SIN**

1. His Perception (20a)
2. His Plot (20b-22)
  - Planned for the sole purpose of taking something
3. His Plunder (23-24)
  - Receiving silver and clothes from Naaman (23)
4. His Presumptuousness (25)
  - Going to stand before his master as though nothing has happened

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## B. GEHAZI'S SENTANCE (26-27)

1. The Problem (26)
  - a. Elisha knew of his servant's journey
  - b. Elisha also knew of his servant's materialism
2. The Punishment (27)
  - a. He is cursed with Naaman's leprosy
  - b. He has lost his association with Elisha and fellowship with God

## III. THE CURE THROUGH A DISPLACED CHILD (2-3)

### A. HER SITUATION

- A captive servant and yet compassionate

### B. HER CIRCUMSTANCES

1. She prompted Naaman's actions
2. She indirectly produced Gehazi's reactions
3. She proclaimed God's power wherever she went

### C. HER SUCCESS

1. A cute little girl knew that there was a prophet in Israel (v.3)
2. A cured pagan knew that there was a prophet in Israel (v. 15)
3. Two country's kings knew that there was a prophet in Israel (6-7)
4. A cursed servant knew that there was a prophet in Israel (26-27)
5. A calloused nation knew that there was a prophet in Israel

## CONCLUSION:

*Man's greatest disease is a sinful heart.*

- **Christ offered the cure almost 2,000 years ago**
- **Let's be faithful in reporting "the cure."**

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