## **Help (Younger Student Lesson)**

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reward for their toil." Ecclesiastes 4:9

Bible Lesson: Naaman and the Search for the Cure. (2 Kings 5:1-14)

It's good to learn how to do things ourselves! I remember when I learned to tie my shoes. What can you do all by yourself?

Learning how to let other people help is also important.

Naaman was very sick. He had leprosy. Naaman had bad sores all over his skin.



A little girl was taken from her home and taken to Syria. The little girl knew God was powerful. She told a woman in her new home about God's special preacher named Elisha.



Naaman accepted help from the little girl and went to see Elisha.

Elisha loved God. Elisha told Naaman that God wanted Naaman to dip into the muddy Jordan river 7 times.

The muddy water was yucky. Naaman didn't want to accept God's help. Naaman's friend helped

Naaman to accept God's help.

Naaman dipped in the Jordan river 7 times. Naaman's skin was all better! Naaman's leprosy was gone!

Naaman accepted the help from the little girl, God, Elisha, and his friend.

God wants us to also accept help from others. We can ask others to help us.



Check out this video.
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## **Accepting Help (Older Student Lesson)**

Main Point: I Will Accept Help from Others!

Bible Verse: "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for

their toil." Ecclesiastes 4:9

Bible Lesson: Naaman and the Search for the Cure. (2 Kings 5:1-14)

How do you feel when the teacher stops at your desk to see if you need help?



Throughout the Bible, God has people working together and helping each other. Accepting help from other people can be tough. Some people are annoying and don't think like us.

Our verse says that two people working together is better than one person working alone. Why do you think two people together are better than one person working alone?



In the Bible, war hero Naaman was a leper -- his skin was rotting off. It's a nasty sickness that makes people avoid you (like Covid quarantine, but for a lifetime).

There weren't any medicines for leprosy. A Jewish girl told a Syrian woman that God's prophet Elisha in Samaria could help Naaman. The war hero Naaman got permission from the king and went to ask Elisha for help.

Elisha was one of God's prophets (kind of like a preacher). Naaman probably felt embarrassed to be a big war hero needing help from a weird old man. Naaman brought a bunch of nice gifts, but Elisha didn't take them. In fact, Elisha didn't even come out of the house.

Elisha sent a servant to tell Naaman to wash in the muddy Jordan river 7 times. Naaman expected Elisha to come out, wave around his hands, and fix the leprosy. Naaman didn't want to accept Elisha's crazy help!

After fussing and complaining a lot, Naaman finally dipped in the Jordan river 7 times, and his sickness went away. Naaman went back to Elisha and promised to start worshiping the one true God.

Asking for help was difficult. Accepting the help didn't make sense, and Naaman may have thought Elisha was rude. In the end, Naaman was better because he worked with other people.

God wants us to accept help from others, even if sometimes we don't enjoy being around certain people. How can accepting help from others help you to grow closer to God?



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