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We need to understand what God has done by sending His Son to be the Saviour.

What was Naaman's background?

- He was good at his job, honourable and trustworthy.

BUT – he was a leper

To be a leper was a terrible thing. It would kill him, it was contagious, nobody wanted him.

We are all sinners – Rom 3:23 – This has separated us from God – “[The wages of sin is death](#)”(Rom 6:23) – God can't allow sin into heaven.

Why do I need to be saved?

All sin is disobedience against God.

Naaman would have a great desire to be healed of his disease.

Doing nothing about sin isn't an option for us.

The little maid tells the mistress how he can be healed.

God sent the Lord Jesus Christ to die on the cross for us because of love.

Naaman made mistakes – he was sent with great wealth to the King of Israel – He could not help him.

Acts 4:12 – the Lord Jesus Christ is the only person who can save from sin.

Naaman came to Elisha expecting something big and fancy – He wanted to be healed on his terms.

That is not how salvation works. Only the Lord Jesus Christ could meet the conditions - “[without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin](#)”(Isa).

Acts 16:31 – Ask Him into your life

There is only one way of salvation and it is God's way.

The gospel is so easy – need to accept He died for sin and ask Him to be the Saviour.

Eventually Naaman did what he was told and he was completely cured.

Naaman tries to pay, salvation is free, the price was paid on the cross of Calvary.

The gospel is good news.

1. Everyone has sinned
2. This has separated us from God

3. God sent His only Son to pay the price for sin
4. He rose on the third day and is now in heaven
5. If we believe our sins can be forgiven
6. It is not something we can pay for. - Eph2:8-9