

ORDINARY

Upside Down and Unexpected

2 Kings 5

The story:

1. Are power and wealth assets?
2. Are pride and control beneficial?
3. Are opportunities and rationalization helpful?

The application:

My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1) How would you describe your core identity? Do you feel pressure to be something great? Where is that coming from?
- 2) As you explore 2 Kings 5, what are your favorite parts of the story? Why? What are you uncomfortable with?
- 3) Why was Gehazi tempted to go after the gold? How could this happen after seeing the miracle? What can we learn from this?
- 4) When you think about the power structures of this world, how is Jesus upside down and unexpected? Meditate on Philippians 2:1-11.

Memory Verse

But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things – and the things that are not – to nullify the things that are, so that no one may boast before him.

1 Corinthians 1:27-29 NIV