



Series Overview: We hear about so many incredible humans — past and present — who have changed the world using their influence, their voice, their dreams, and their passion. Kids might find it hard to relate to these dreamers, though, and ask themselves, “Can God use me for something that grand?” In Up In The Air, kids will learn through the stories of Elisha that **we can dream big with God, have faith in God, count on God’s promises, ask God for what we need, and be used by God.** The sky isn’t the limit anymore...not with God’s promises at work in our lives!

Bible Story: Elisha and Naaman: II Kings 5:1-14

Big Idea: I can be used by God.

Series Memory Verse: “Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.”
-Colossians 3:2

Lesson Guide:

1. Dance and sing with your child to these songs.

- [When I Look | Preschool Worship Song - YouTube](#)
- [Promises Worship Video - YouTube](#)
- [By Faith With Choreography & Lyrics by KOTM - YouTube](#)

2. Show this video to teach the Bible story.

- [Up In The Air Preschool Week 5 \(vimeo.com\)](https://vimeo.com/111111111)

3. Review the Bible story like this:

***Supplies: Bible & 2 Bible Story Pictures (at the end of this lesson)**

- Open the Bible to 2 Kings 5 to show your family where today's story comes from.
- Today we are hearing about Elisha one more time!!!
- As you just saw in the video, in today's story, there was a soldier named Naaman who was sick and needed Elisha's help. Let's read about it together from God's Word .
- [Read II Kings 5:1–3.]
- Naaman was a brave and mighty soldier (*Have everyone stand and flex their bicep muscles*). But then he became very sick (*Have everyone let their arms fall and lower their heads in sadness*).
- He had a disease called leprosy. Leprosy showed up on his skin and it hurt a lot.
- If it got worse, he would have to go far away from his friends and family so they wouldn't get sick, too.
- The girl who worked in Naaman's house knew that Elisha would be able to help Naaman.
- [Read II Kings 5:4-10.]
- So the king of Naaman's land sent a letter to the king of Elisha's land to let him know Naaman was coming.
- When Elisha heard this, he sent a message to Naaman. He told Naaman to wash himself seven times in the Jordan River. (*Ask everyone how many times, and then have them count aloud to 7*).
- If he did this, he would be all better. But Naaman didn't want to do it because he didn't think it would work.
- Also, he was mad because Elisha didn't come to him in person! (*Have everyone stomp their feet and make angry noises and faces*).
- [Read II Kings 5:11-14.]
- But in the end, he tried it. Naaman went to the Jordan River and got in. (*Show everyone the first Bible story picture*).
- Naaman washed seven times. (*Ask everyone how many times and have them count aloud to 7 again*).
- After the seventh time, his skin went back to normal. God made Naaman all better! (*Show the second Bible story picture and have everyone jump around and say, "He is all better! Naaman is healed!"*)
- God used Elisha to help Naaman. God can use you and me to help others, too!
- BIG IDEA | I can be used by God. (*Have everyone point their thumbs to their chest as they say the Big Idea with you a few times*).

4. Practice the July Memory Verse like this:

***Supplies = A Bible, 10 stars pictures (print some or draw some) taped to a wall in your house or outside**

- Look up Colossians 3:2 in the Bible and read it to your family.
- Help them learn the verse using these motions:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/92y0ixv1ujapgut/July2022MemVerseMotions.MOV?dl=0>

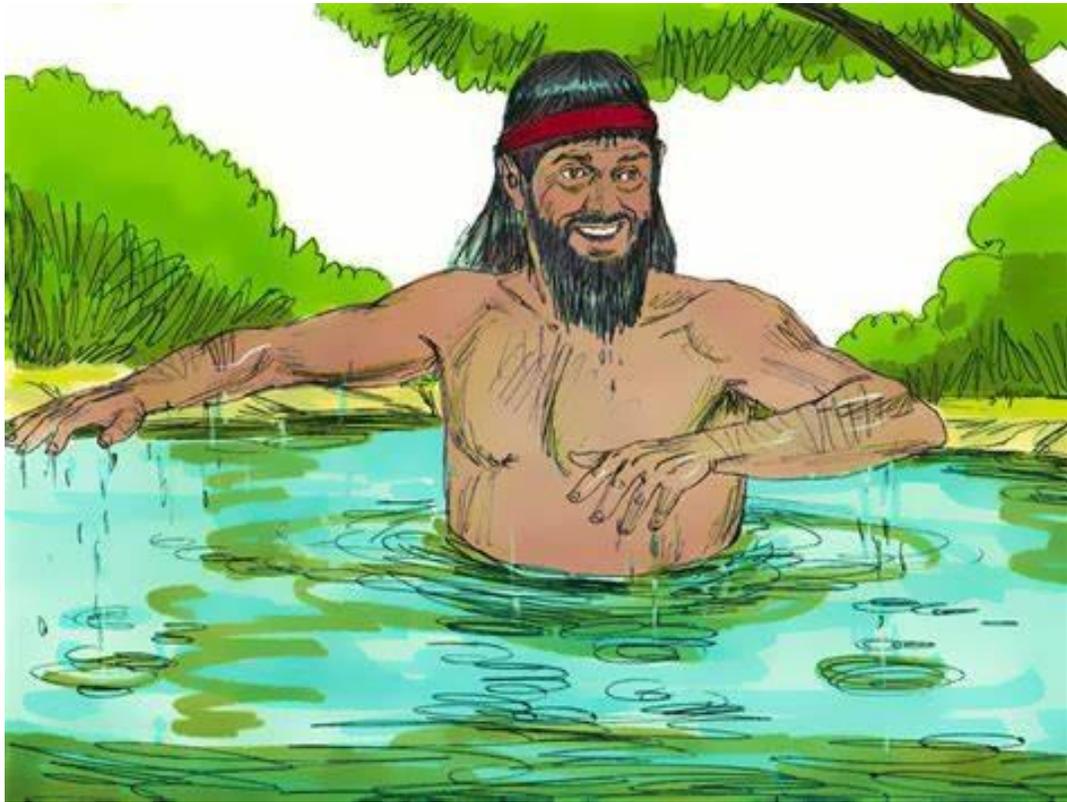
- Talk to your family about how the stars.
 - What do they look like? How many are there?
 - When I look up at the sky at night and see stars, it reminds me that God placed them there. They have a purpose. God uses the stars and God can use you, too.
 - God counts the stars and knows their names, but He loves you even more than the stars!!!!
 - Isn't it amazing how many stars God put in the sky? Even the stars have a purpose and are used by God.
 - **What are some things you are good at?**
 - God can use all of those things you can do! It's so great that **I can be used by God**, too!
- Next, tape the star pictures on a wall in line (some higher than others...you want your to be on their tippy toes or have to jump to touch them...or at least some of them)
- Have your family line up behind the stars.
- Everyone should say the verse with you and with each word of the verse they should touch a star as they move through the line...once each person touches all the stars, they should just get back in line and go through again.
- Remind your family that when they “set their minds on things above,” that they will get to know God and He will show them ways to help others here on earth.
- Challenge them to talk to God every time they see a star in the sky at night.

5. PRAY WITH THE YOUR FAMILY!

6. Bible Story Pictures



Naaman with leprosy



Naaman healed!!!!