

Q8

BIBLE STORYLINE

Naaman

PursueGODkids.org**Slide: Welcome***(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)***Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.****Slide: Series Intro****Leader Tip:** Dress up like a soldier and speak in a mean voice and introduce yourself as Naaman. Tell the kids that you're a powerful commander and you can do whatever you want. But, as you talk, itch your arms and legs and say, "I can't stand this! I have a disease called Leprosy. I wonder if I can be healed from this!" Then, teach the rest of the lesson as Naaman.**Before we jump into our lesson this week, what kind of person do you have a hard time getting along with at school? (allow kids to answer). Yeah, it's hard to get along with a kid who bosses everyone around at recess or always thinks they're right about everything. Even though it's hard to get along with those kinds of people, it is possible if you have the right perspective. (If you used the Leader Tip, ask the kids to describe why Naaman would be a hard guy to get along with if he was in your life.)****In today's lesson, we are going to learn about two people. First, we'll learn about a mean guy named Naaman. But, we'll also learn about a little girl who is a hero in the story.****But, before we get into that, let's stand and sing.****Song***Song #1***Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.****Slide: Big Idea***All together:* You can be a hero by being kind when others don't deserve it. **(Repeat)****Video***Play lesson video.***Slide: Recap****So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...**

- Who was Naaman? What disease did he have? (commander of an army/ Leprosy)
- Who was a hero in the story? (a servant girl)
- True or False: It's okay to be mean to someone if they are mean to you first. (F)

Nope! That's not true. We can be nice to everyone, even the people who are mean to us. That's what the servant girl showed us in the story. She was a hero not because she yelled at Naaman and told him he was a mean person, but because she chose to be kind. Remember, she was taken from her home and made a servant in Naaman's house. If anyone had a reason to wish harm to someone, this girl had good reason. But, she felt compassion for Naaman and told his wife that Naaman could be healed from his disease if he went to see God's prophet, Elisha! This little girl whose name we don't even know lived out our memory verse.

Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

"Love (hug yourself) your enemies! Do good (thumbs up) to those who hate you." Luke 6:27
(Repeat)

Love your enemies?! Be nice to those who hate you?! That sounds impossible! But, it's not if we rely on God to help us. He will give us the strength to do it but we have to be brave enough to choose the right response. It's easy to be mean to someone who is mean to us. It's much harder to be nice when someone doesn't deserve it. That doesn't mean we have to be best friends with the bully at school but it means we can be nice. We can be a good example to the mean kids and pray that God changes their hearts.

So kids, let's learn from the servant girl whose name we don't even know and be a hero by being kind to those that don't deserve it.

Now, let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Song #2

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

You can be a hero by being kind when others don't deserve it. **(Repeat)**

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.