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2 Kings 5:13-14 (NIV)

Your Instructions

Would you like me to bless your life? What kind of question is that? Of course, I want you to bless my life. Who wouldn't want you to bless their lives? **You would be surprised. Do you believe that I want to bless your life? Do you know that it brings me great joy to be able to bless your life?** I believe that you want to bless my life. I know that it brings you great joy to bless my life. **That's good.** I do have a question. **Go ahead, ask me, I'm listening.** Is there something that could prevent you from blessing my life? **Why do you ask that?** You used the phrase, "be able to bless" my life. That seems to imply that something could make my life unable to be blessed by you. **You have asked a very good question. I will ask you a few questions. Have I ever given you instructions? Have I ever guided you to go somewhere for me? Have I ever given you something to do for me?** Yes, you have guided me to go somewhere to do something for you. This is not a rare occasion. **Have you always followed me to where I have guided you? Have you always done what I asked of you?** No, not always. There are many times that I failed to go where you guided me to do what you asked of me. **That's not good.** No, it's not.

Has your life been blessed by me when you have gone where I have guided you, to do what I have asked of you? Yes definitely. **How so?** In any number of ways. **Name a few.** As I have gone and done your will, you have worked in, with, for and through my life. As I have followed and obeyed you, I have borne fruit for your kingdom and brought glory to your name. You have brought healing and hope into my life as I have followed your instructions. As I have done what you have asked of me, you have guarded my life. You have restored my soul. You have healed my life. You have grown my faith. You have changed my heart, transformed my mind and guided my life. You have richly blessed me with many good gifts as I have followed and obeyed you. **Yes, that is very true.**

Have you experienced the same blessing on your life when you have not followed and obeyed me? No, I have not. Following my own way and doing my own thing has brought me into trouble and given me great difficulty. Not listening to you has brought the world's harm rather than your help into my life. **That's true. So what will you do?** I will follow your instructions. **That will be very good.**

Lord, I will tell you now in advance that I will follow and obey you. I will listen carefully to your instructions. I will go where you guide me. I will do what you ask of me. Use my life to fulfill your purposes and accomplish your plans. Help me to bring glory to you. Amen

Miracles *His Flesh Was Restored*

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NIV 2 Kings 5:13-14

Miracles *His Flesh Became As Healthy*

But his officers tried to reason with him and said, "Sir, if the prophet had told you to do something very difficult, wouldn't you have done it? So you should certainly obey him when he says simply, 'Go and wash and be cured!'" So Naaman went down to the Jordan River and dipped himself seven times, as the man of God had instructed him. And his skin became as healthy as the skin of a young child's, and he was healed!

NLT 2 Kings 5:13-14

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But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

NRSV 2 Kings 5:13-14

Miracles *His Flesh Was Restored*

And his servants came near and said to him, My father, if the prophet had bid you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much rather, then, when he says to you, Wash and be clean? Then he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, as the man of God had said, and his flesh was restored like that of a little child, and he was clean.

AMP 2 Kings 5:13-14

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Then his servants came near and spoke to him and said, "My father, had the prophet told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child and he was clean.

NASB 2 Kings 5:13-14

Miracles *His Flesh Was Restored*

But his servants came near and said to him, "My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

ESV 2 Kings 5:13-14

Miracles *His Flesh Was Restored*

And his servants came near and spoke to him, and said, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do something great, would you not have done it? How much more then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and dipped seven times in the Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

NKJV 2 Kings 5:13-14

Miracles *His Skin Was Healed*

But his servants caught up with him and said, "Father, if the prophet had asked you to do something hard and heroic, wouldn't you have done it? So why not this simple 'wash and be clean?'" So he did it. He went down and immersed himself in the Jordan seven times, following the orders of the Holy Man. His skin was healed; it was like the skin of a little baby. He was as good as new.

MSG 2 Kings 5:13-14

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TLB 2 Kings 5:13-14

Miracles *His Skin Became New Again*

Naaman's servants came near and said to him, "My father, if the prophet had told you to do some great thing, wouldn't you have done it? Doesn't it make more sense just to do it? After all, he only told you, 'Wash, and you will be clean.'" So Naaman went down and dipped in the Jordan seven times, just as Elisha had said. Then his skin became new again, like the skin of a child. And he was clean.

NCV 2 Kings 5:13-14

His Flesh Was Restored

Year _____ Week _____ Day _____ Date _____

Miracles – 2 Kings 5:13-14

In Context: Read 2 Kings 5

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God's Word: *(What is God speaking to your heart?)*

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Considering The Words: *(What words speak to your heart?)*

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Praying The Scripture: *(What prayer from your heart will you write?)*

Lord, I will tell you now in advance that I will follow and obey you. I will listen carefully to your instructions. I will go where you guide me. I will do what you ask of me. Use my life to fulfill your purposes and accomplish your plans. Help me to bring glory to you. Amen

What It Means: *(What questions speak to your heart?)* (Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)

How willing are you to follow the Lord's instructions even when they may be difficult to obey?

When have you found it difficult to follow even simple instructions from the Lord?

Why would it be a good idea to decide in advance that you will follow and obey the Lord's instructions?

How has your life been blessed because you followed and obeyed the Lord's instructions?

When have you tried to earn or merit something that the Lord wanted to give to you?

Why will you never earn, merit, or deserve what the Lord wants to give to you?

When has the goodness of the Lord caused you to humbly give thanks and praise to Him?

Living It Out: *(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)*

Make a decision now that you will follow and obey the Lord by going and doing all that He asks of you.

Seeing It Happen: *(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)*

Have faith that the Lord will bless your life as you follow and obey Him.

Get Ready To Share: *(What can you share with others from your heart?)*

Share with another person or your small group how the Lord is blessing your life as you have follow and obey Him.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you follow and obey the Lord so He can bless your life.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, I will follow and obey you so you can bless my life.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, how can I follow and obey you today?
