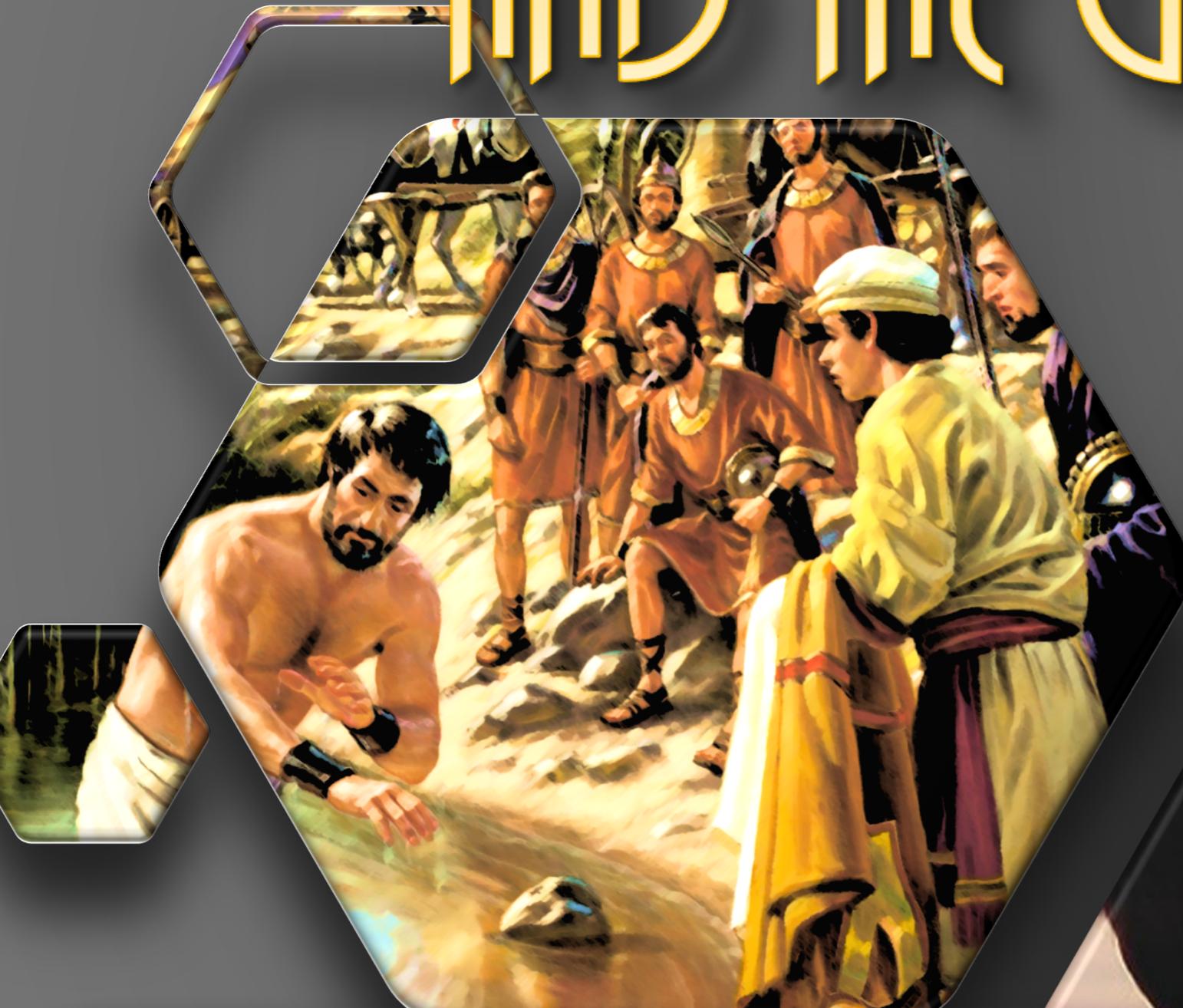


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2 KINGS 5; ACTS 2:36-41

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- Naaman nearly rejected the prospect of physical healing because the conditions did not conform to his expectations (2 Kings 5:1-14).
- In like manner, many reject God's terms of spiritual pardon as expressed through the gospel (Acts 2:36-38; 22:6-16; Gal. 3:26-27; 1 Pet. 3:20-21).

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Isaiah 55:8–9 (NKJV)
8 “For My thoughts *are* not your thoughts, Nor *are* your ways My ways,” says the Lord. 9 “For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

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Jeremiah 10:23
(NKJV)

23 O Lord, I know
the way of man *is*
not in himself; *It is*
not in man who
walks to direct his
own steps.

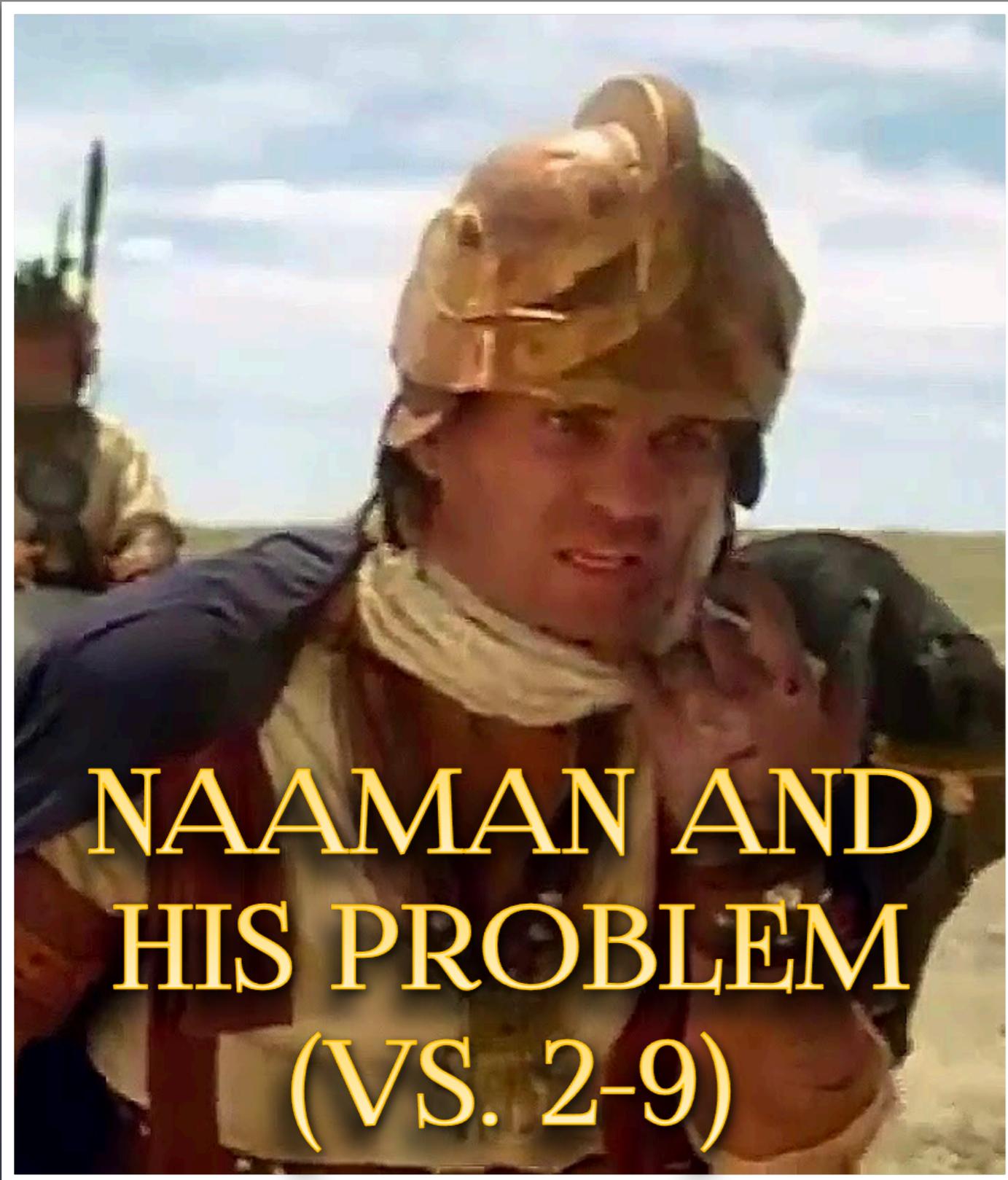
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Proverbs 14:12 (NKJV)

12 There is a way
that seems right to
a man, But its end
is the way of
death.

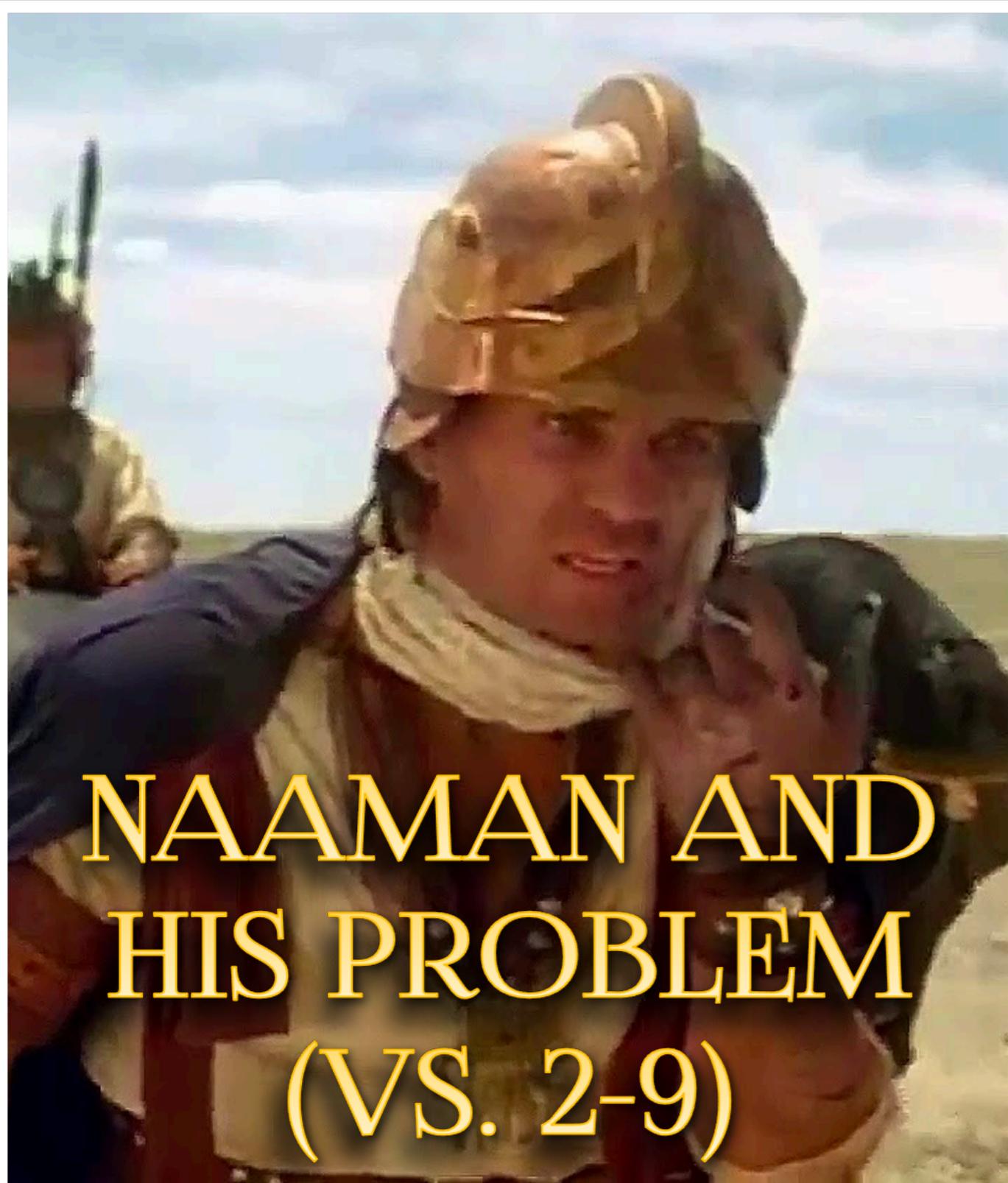
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2 Kings 5:1 (NKJV)

¹ Now Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Syria, was a great and honorable man in the eyes of his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Syria. He was also a mighty man of valor, *but a leper.*

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NAAMAN AND HIS PROBLEM (VS. 2-9)

- **Naaman**, commander of the army of Benhadad I the king of Syria
- **Naaman's** was a great and honorable man in the eyes of his master (cf. Acts 10:1,2)
- **Naaman** was used by the Lord to give victory to Syria.
- **Naaman's** problem - he was a Leper.

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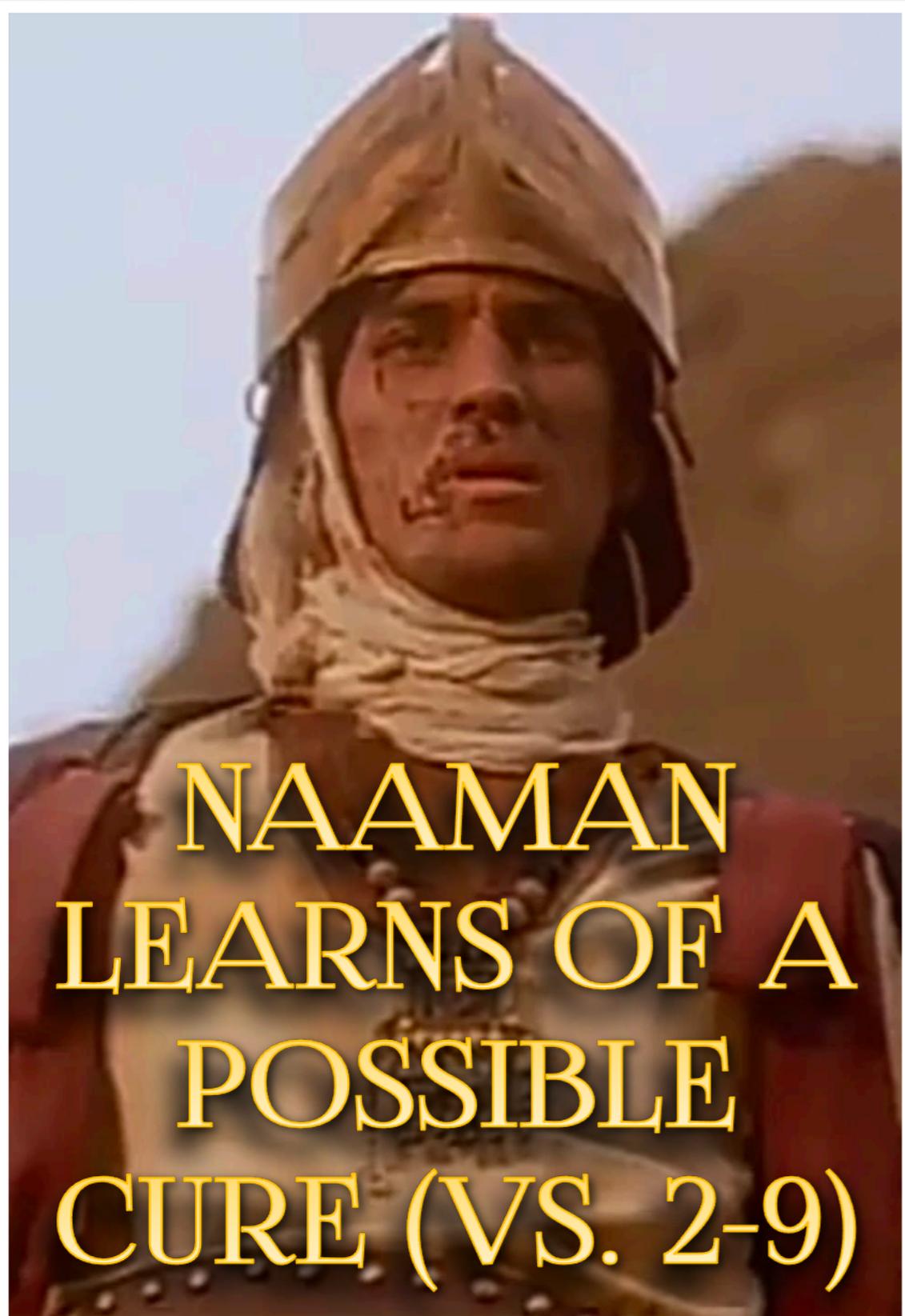
- The term leprosy referred to several types of skin diseases rooted in the blood stream.
- Leprosy stood as a picture of sin -

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- Sin, like leprosy in Bible times, is incurable by man (Eph. 2:1-13)
- Sin, like leprosy, is loathsome & defiling (Mat. 15:19; Ep. 5:3–6)
- Sin, like leprosy, causes separation (Isa. 59:1,2)
- Sin, like leprosy, unless cured - causes death (Jam. 1:13-16; Rom. 6:23)

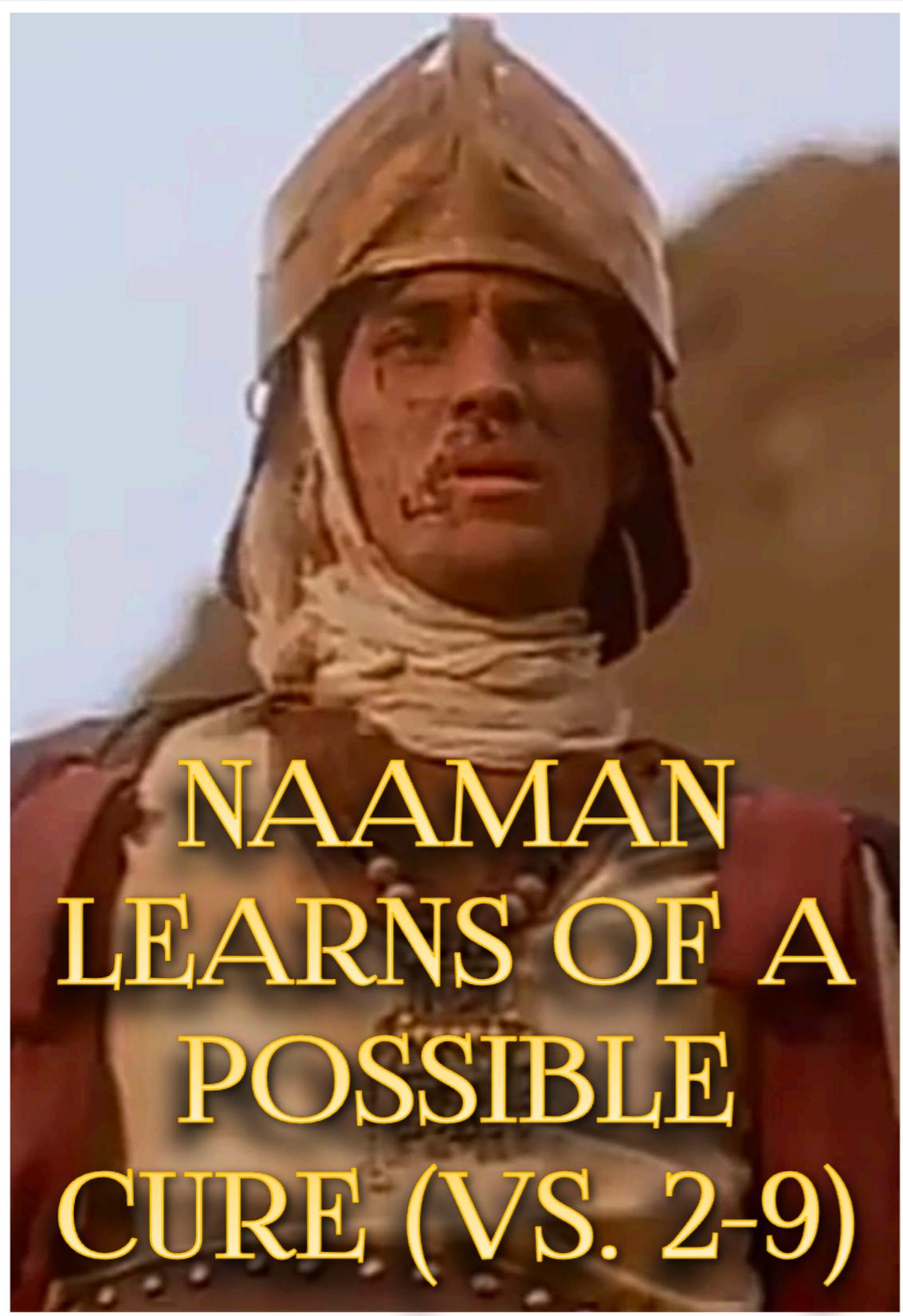
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NAAMAN
LEARNS OF A
POSSIBLE
CURE (VS. 2-9)

- A young captive girl from Israel (2,3) – tells Naaman’s wife of a prophet in Israel who could heal him (*do we share the gospel with those who are lost like this young girl shared her knowledge of the prophet?*)
- Naaman approaches the king – Benhadad I, who sends Naaman to Joram, the king of Israel with a letter (4-6)

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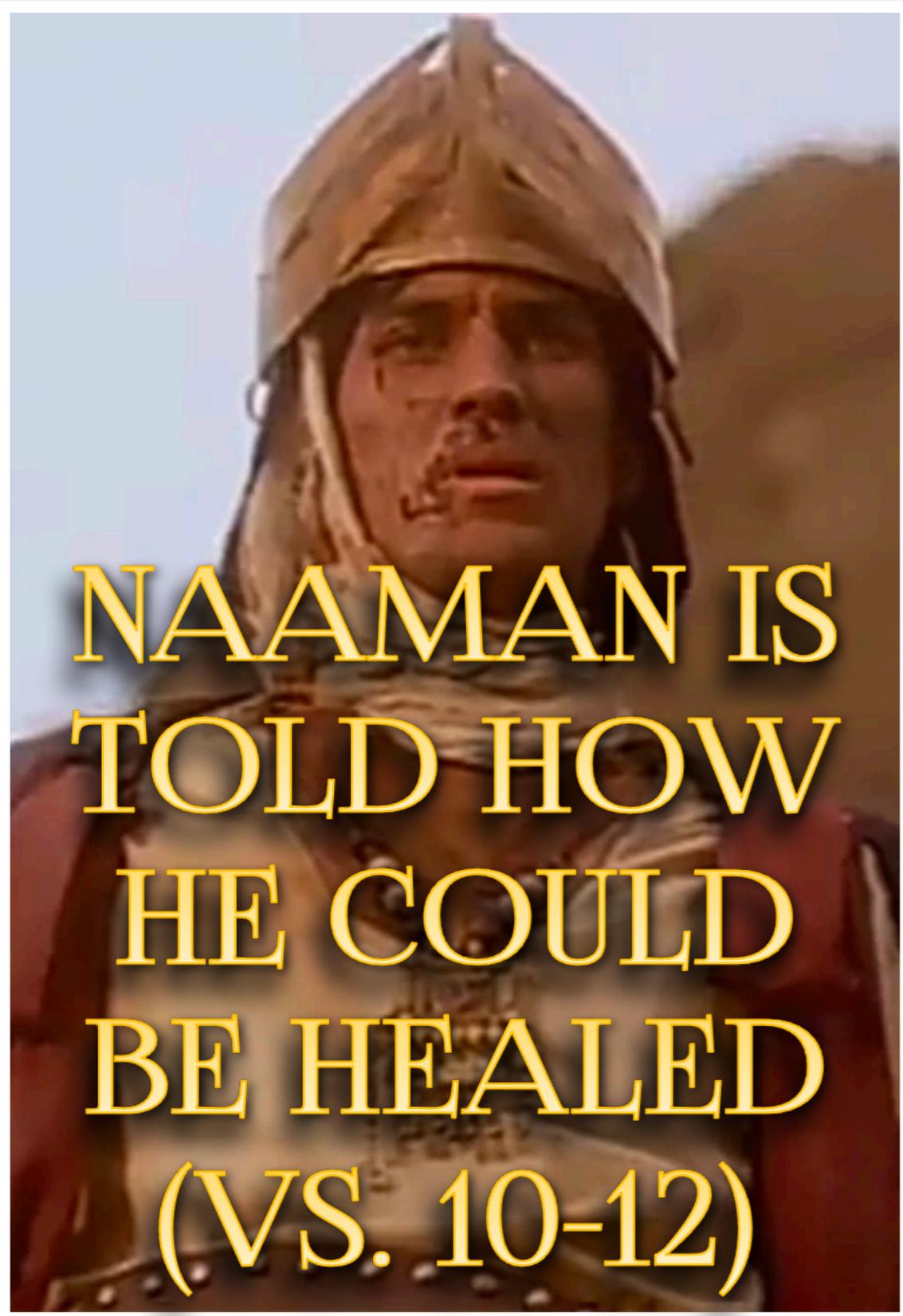
- Naaman goes to the wrong person - the king of Israel (7) – Joram thought Benhadad was trying to pick a fight –
- Elisha calls for Joram to send Naaman to him (8) –
- Naaman goes to see Elisha with his loaded horses and chariots (9) –

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2 Kings 5:9–12 (NKJV)

⁹ Then Naaman went with his horses and chariot, and he stood at the door of Elisha's house. ¹⁰ And Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored to you, and *you shall* be clean." ¹¹ But Naaman became furious, and went away and said, "Indeed, I said to myself, 'He will surely come out *to me*, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and wave his hand over the place, and heal the leprosy.' ¹² Are not the Abanah and the Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them and be clean?" So he turned and went away in a rage.

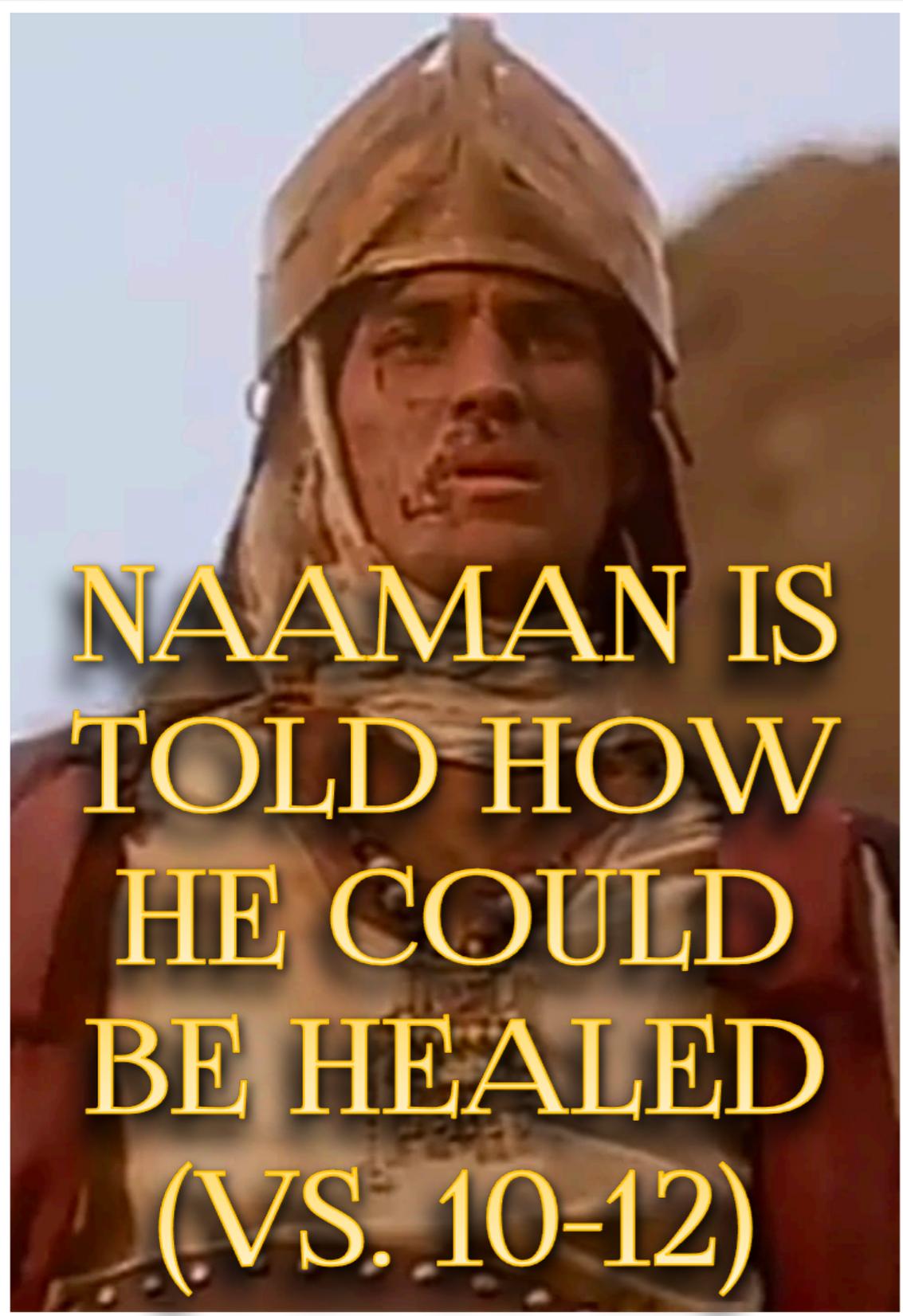
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NAAMAN IS
TOLD HOW
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(VS. 10-12)

- Elisha sends a servant out to Naaman (10a)
- Naaman is told to "Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored to you, and you shall be clean." (10b)
- Naaman became furious – because God's plan didn't fit his plan "behold I thought!" (11)

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NAAMAN IS
TOLD HOW
HE COULD
BE HEALED
(VS. 10-12)

- Naaman's pride was insulted (10a)
- Naaman had preconceived ideas (11)
- Naaman thought that substituting for God's specific instruction would be OK (12a)
- Naaman leaves **ANGRY** at the prophet (12b)

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WE ARE TOLD HOW WE CAN BE
HEALED OF OUR SIN!

(MARK 16:16; ACTS 2:38; GAL. 3:26,27)



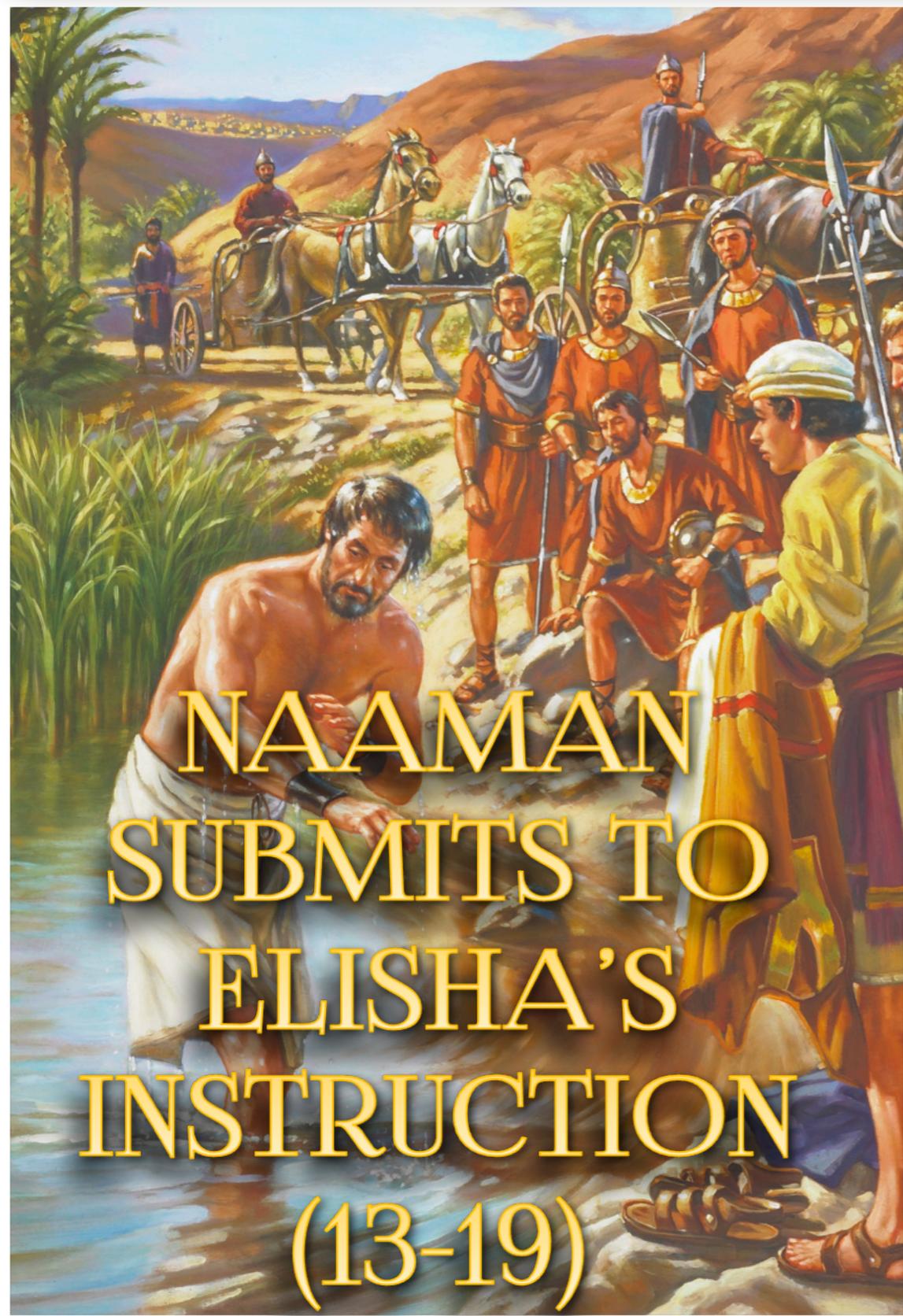
- God has offered salvation from sin through His Son Jesus Christ (Mt 11:28-30; Mk 16:16; Jn 8:24; Ac 2:38; 22:16)
- No substitute for God's way will cleanse us from our sins! (2 Thes 1:7-9)
- Why are people today so resistant to God's way?

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2 Kings 5:13-14 (NKJV)

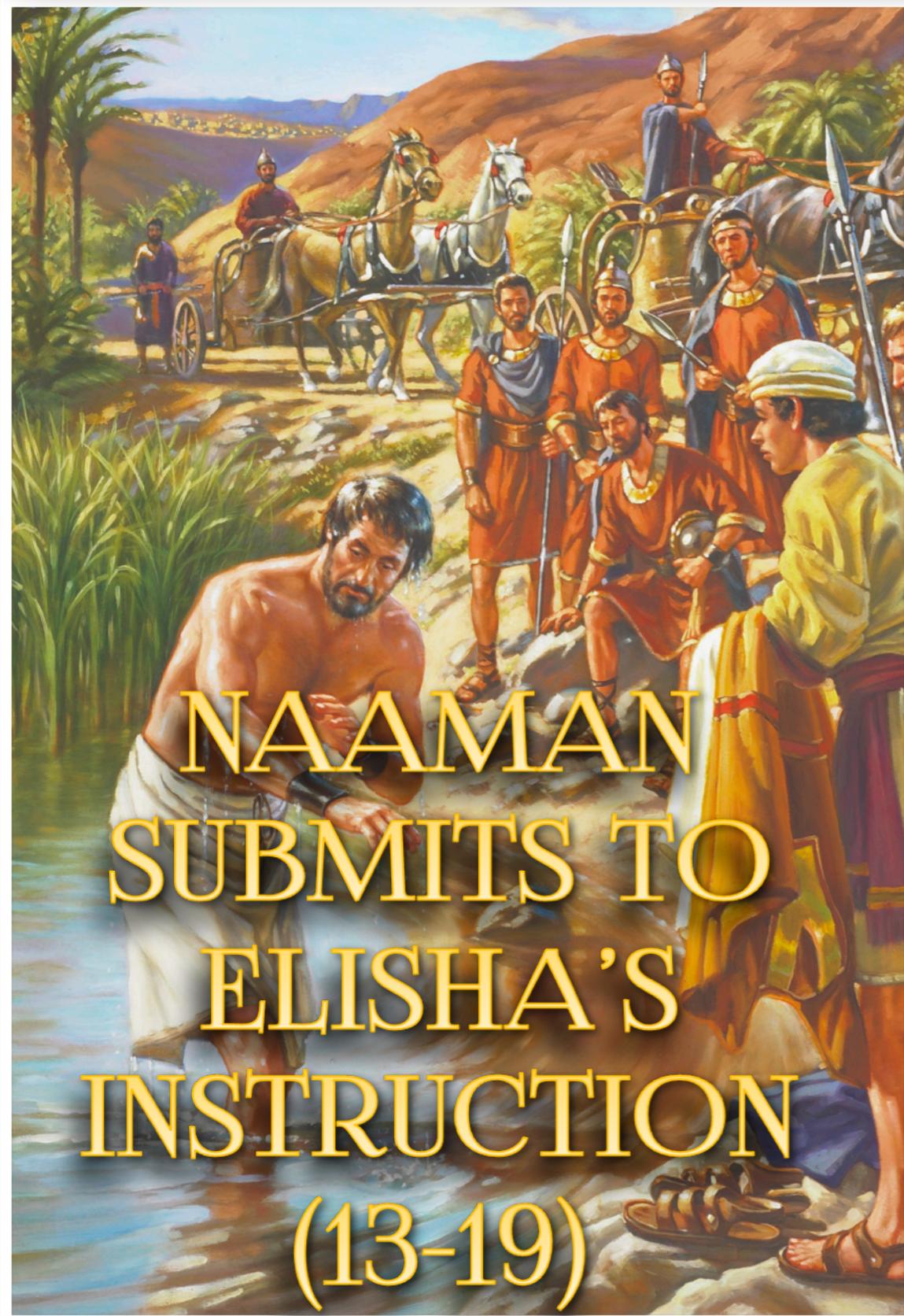
¹³ And his servants came near and spoke to him, and said, "My father, *if* the prophet had told you *to do* something great, would you not have done *it*? How much more then, when he says to you, 'Wash, and be clean'?" ¹⁴ So he went down and dipped seven times in the Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God; and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.

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- Naaman is approached by his servants - *“If the prophet had told you to do some great thing would you not have done it?”* (13)
- Naaman humbles himself, changes his mind, obeys God’s instructions & receives God’s gift of healing (14)
- Naaman was cleansed by grace through faith - He heard, believed and obeyed (Eph. 2:8-10; Rom. 10:9-17)

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- Naaman confesses the one true God (15)
- Elisha wouldn't receive Naaman's payment for healing (16; Eph 2:8-10; Rev 21:6; 22:17)
- Naaman still demonstrated a lack of understanding (17-19)

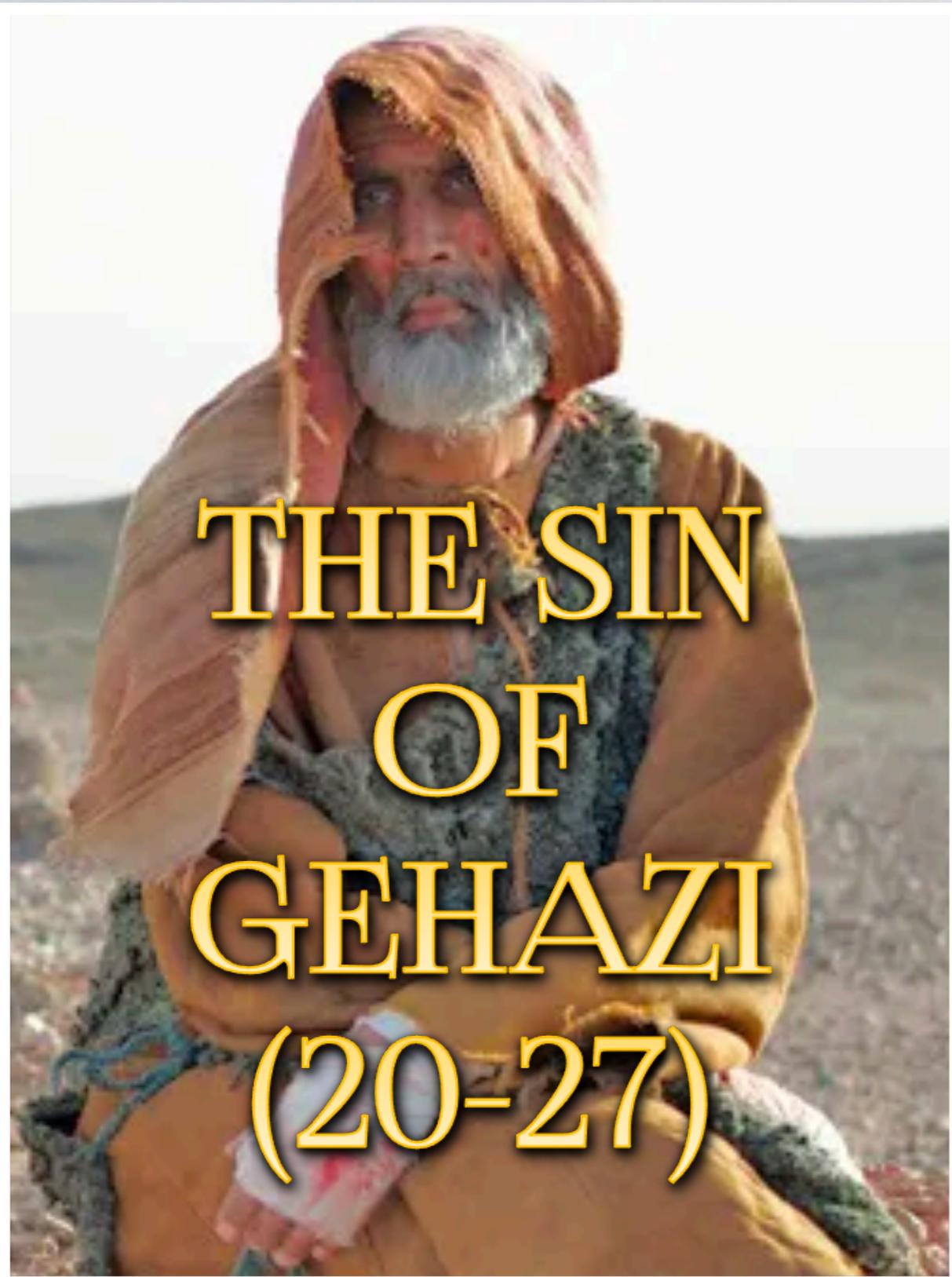
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**WE MUST
SUBMIT TO
JESUS'S
INSTRUCTION**
(MT 7:21-26; 28:19,20;
LK 6:46; HEB. 5:8,9;
MK 16:16; ACTS 2:38)

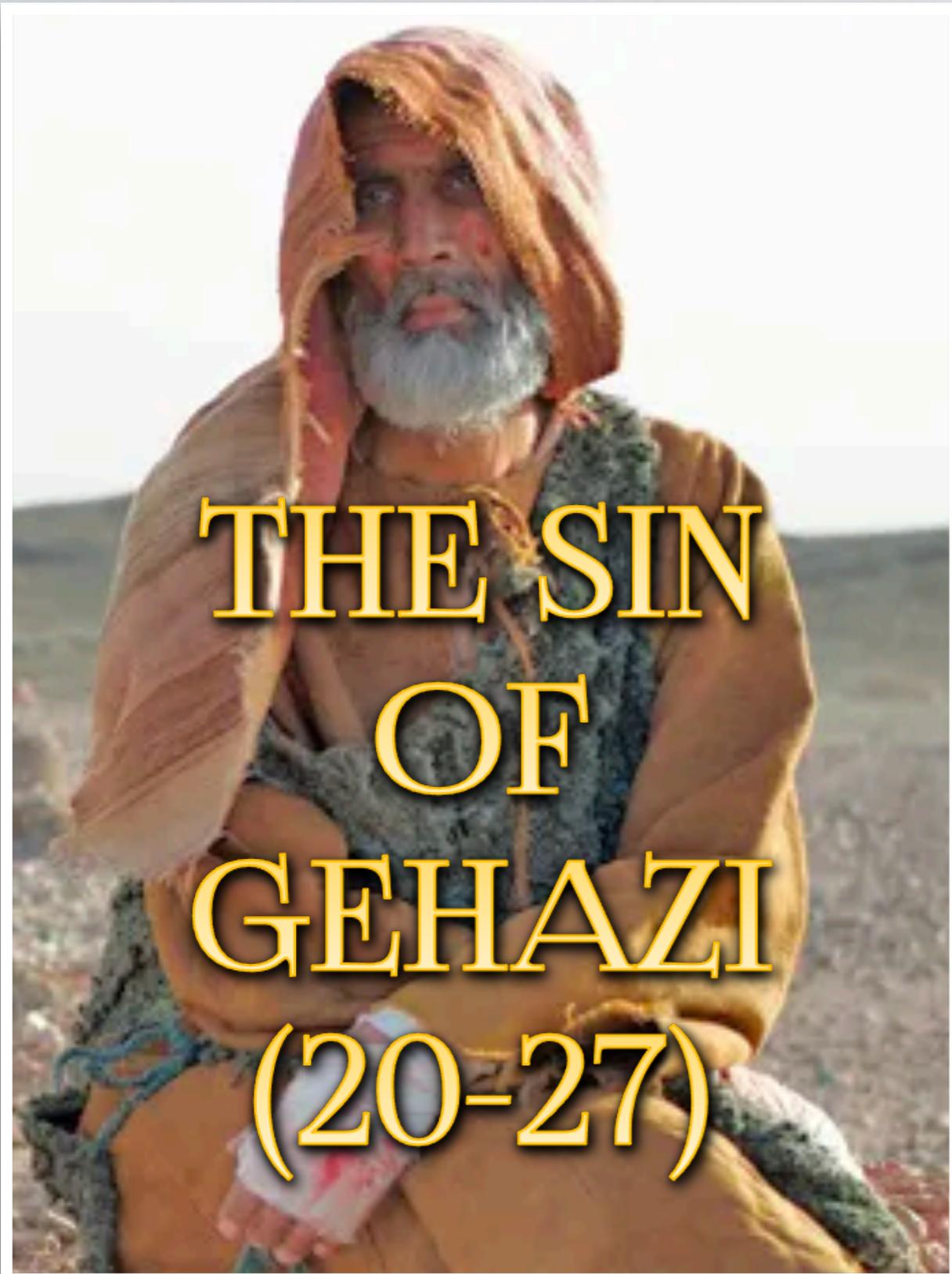
- We must humbly submit to God's way (1 Pet 5:5-7; Is 55:8,9; Jer 10:23; Heb 5:8,9)
- Like Naaman, when we humbly do all that God commands through Jesus, salvation is still a free gift - we can't pay for it or earn it (Luke 17:10; Acts 10:47,48; Rom 6:23; Eph 2:8,9; Tit. 3:3-5)

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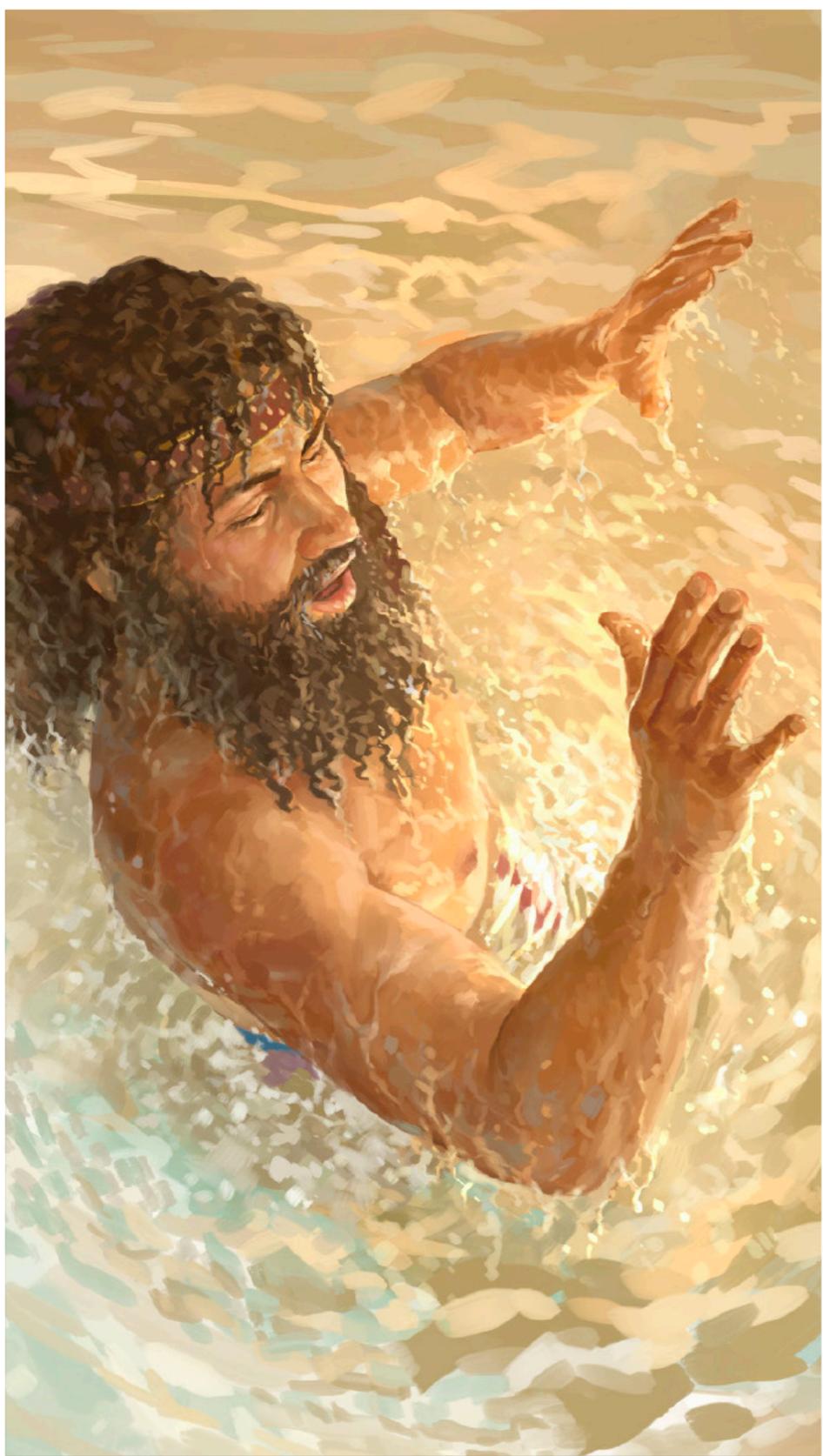
- Gehazi greedily pursues Naaman (20,21)
- Gehazi lies to Naaman & receives two talents of silver & two changes of clothing (22-24)
- Gehazi becomes a leper (25-27)

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- It is possible to be a believer in God, and to engage in the work of God but then turn from God and do evil (v. 20)
- Our “sin will find us out” and the sinner shall die (26; Nu. 32:23; Ez. 18:20ff; Rom. 6:23)
- The God who heals the trusting also punishes the erring (27; Heb 10:30,31)

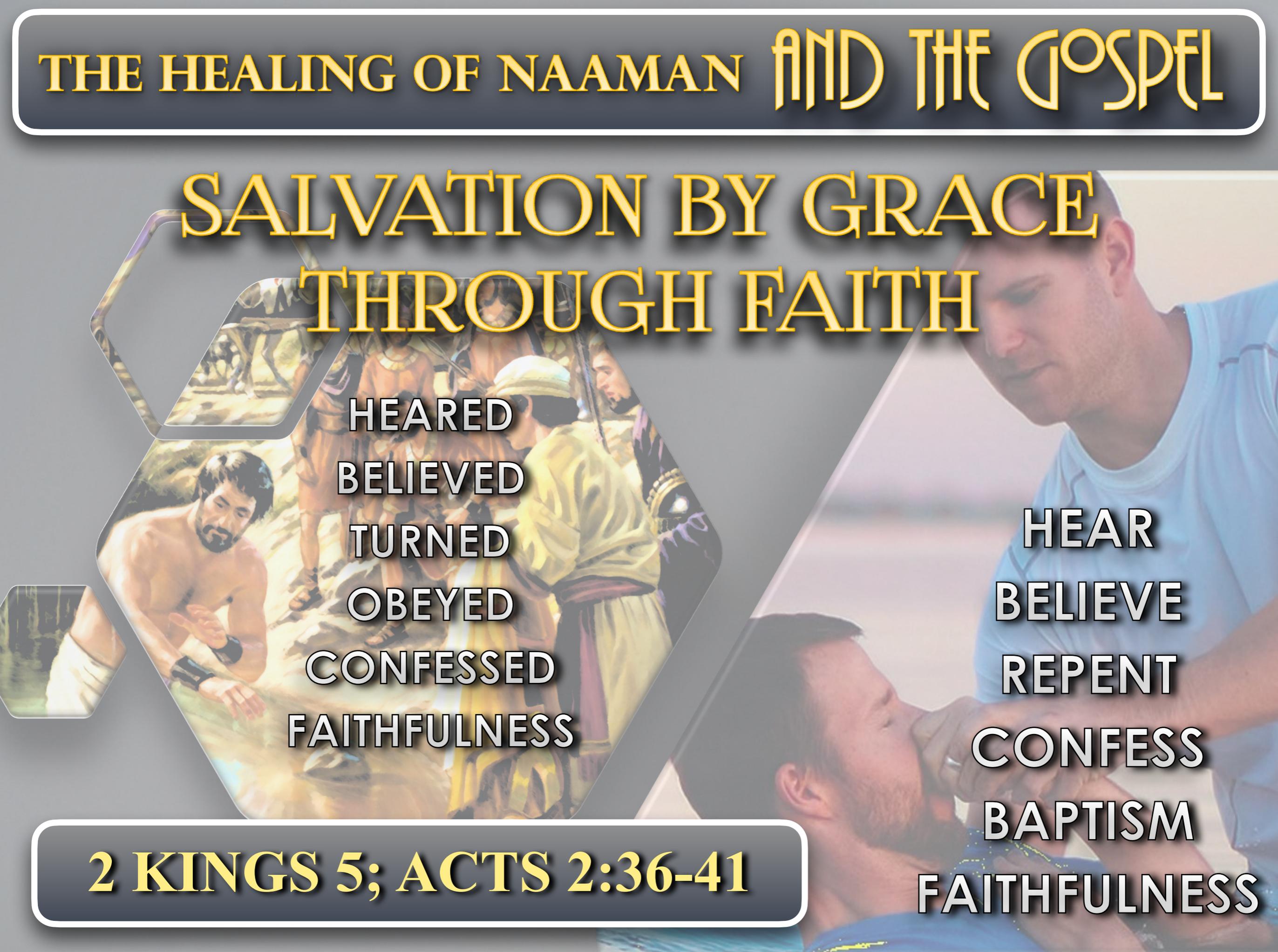
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- Do we recognize the seriousness of sin? (Rom 3:23; 6:23)
- Do you seek deliverance God's way? (Acts 2:37; Acts 4:12; Rom 1:16; Col. 2:11-13)
- You can be healed today!!! (Mat 11:28-30; Acts 2:38; 1 Pet 3:21)
- We all need to grow in Christ (Col. 1:9,10; 2 Pet 3:18)
- We must remain faithful (1 Cor 15:58; Col. 1:23)

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SALVATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH



HEARED

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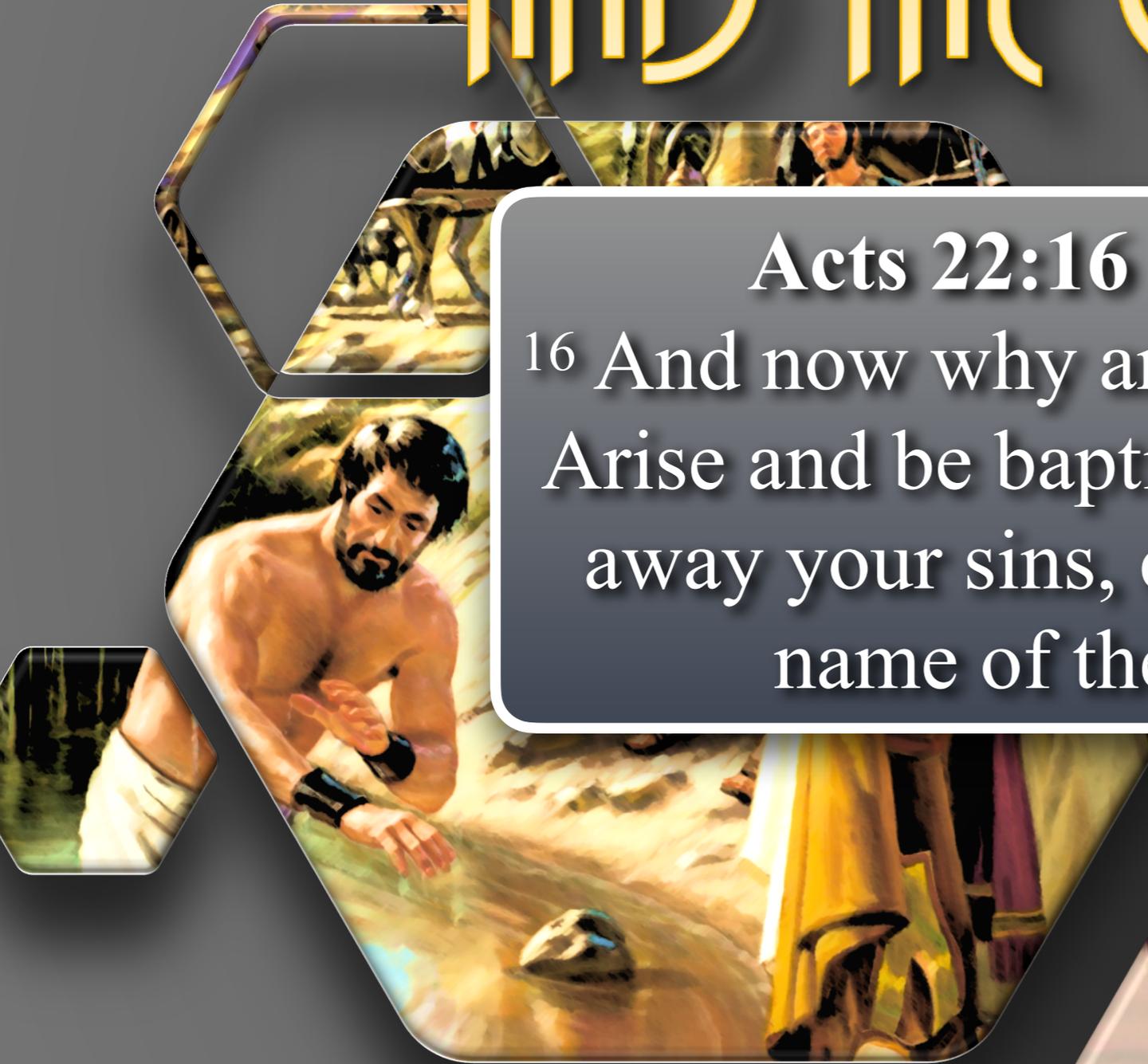
FAITHFULNESS

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Acts 22:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ And now why are you waiting?
Arise and be baptized, and wash
away your sins, calling on the
name of the Lord.'



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Acts 22:6–16 (NKJV)

⁶ “Now it happened, as I journeyed and came near Damascus at about noon, suddenly a great light from heaven shone around me. ⁷ And I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, ‘Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?’ ⁸ So I answered, ‘Who are You, Lord?’ And He said to me, ‘I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting.’ ⁹ “And those who were with me indeed saw the light and were afraid, but they did not hear the voice of Him who spoke to me. ¹⁰ So I said, ‘What shall I do, Lord?’ And the Lord said to me, ‘Arise and go into Damascus, and there you will be told all things which are appointed for you to do.’ ¹¹ And since I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of those who were with me, I came into Damascus.

Acts 22:6–16 (NKJV)

¹² “Then a certain Ananias, a devout man according to the law, having a good testimony with all the Jews who dwelt *there*, ¹³ came to me; and he stood and said to me, ‘Brother Saul, receive your sight.’ And at that same hour I looked up at him. ¹⁴ Then he said, ‘The God of our fathers has chosen you that you should know His will, and see the Just One, and hear the voice of His mouth. ¹⁵ For you will be His witness to all men of what you have seen and heard. ¹⁶ And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.’