

Readings for November 24, 2024

2 Kings 5:9-13

So Naaman with his horses and chariots arrived in style and stopped at Elisha's door. Elisha sent out a servant to meet him with this message: "Go to the River Jordan and immerse yourself seven times. Your skin will be healed and you'll be as good as new." Naaman lost his temper. He spun around saying, "I thought he'd personally come out and meet me, call on the name of God, wave his hand over the diseased spot, and get rid of the disease. The Damascus rivers, Abana and Pharpar, are cleaner by far than any of the rivers in Israel. Why not bathe in them? I'd at least get clean." He stomped off, mad as a hornet. 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'?"

Another Sacred Text

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We seek change in our lives. To be better people. To be more loving. To be more generous. To be more patient. We don't always get it right; and we certainly don't always get it completely done. We are on a journey towards becoming generous. But we don't have to pretend to be perfectly generous. God knows our incompleteness and yet says to us, "Go in peace."