

Kneeling on the Supernatural

Experiencing the supernatural is the privilege given to every born again believer. Your introduction into the spirit world was supernatural. When you confessed Jesus as your Lord and Savior, God's Spirit united with your human spirit, and a "big bang" simultaneously happened—you became a new creation.

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come" (2 Cor 5:17-18).

The supernatural miracle that happened to Naaman. 2 Kings 5

(a commander under the king of Aram, possibly the one who fatally wounded King Ahab (Syria)

A young girl, an Israelite slave who served Naaman's wife, shared with her about the prophets who lived in Israel who had the ability to heal leprosy.

This young girl, instead of grieving over her captivity, looked for an opportunity to share her God with others.

Tell the story of Steve Helmick, who is in a Texas prison. He was convicted and placed into a Texas prison on circumstantial evidence. I believe he was innocent, a son of a pastor who I have worked with for years. I personally knew this young man who wanted to be a missionary pilot. Even though injustice happened to him, his heart has continued with the Lord. He is very influential in prison holding numerous prayer meetings each month. His witness has remained strong.

The king of Aram sent a letter to the king of Israel with Naaman and when King Jehoram read it, he rent his clothes.

When Elisha read the headlines of the "Samaritan Herald" that the king had rent his clothes, he sent a message of inquiry to the king, "*Why have you rent your clothes? Let him come to me and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.*"

Naaman came with his entourage, soldiers, chariots and pack animals, and stood in the front of Elisha's house. Elisha did not bother to comply with the accepted protocol for a dignity, but rather sent his servant out with a message to go and wash seven times in the river of Jordan.

Because of pride and his eyes on the obvious snob given to him by Elisha, Naaman became enraged and immediately departed for Syria. The rivers were much cleaner in Syria.

Sometimes the supernatural is so simple, and religion many times wants to complicate it by speeches, ceremonies, works of piety, generosity, abstinence and keeping laws. It can be summed up with "doing", and not obeying the instructions given by the Lord.

Thank God for counselors.

"Sir, 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?"

Immediately, Naaman changed his course for the river Jordan, after all it was on his way to Syria, why not get off the mule, and dip seven times. It is amazing to consider the results of seven ducks in a muddy river when God instructs you to do so.

The Gehazi spirit

The Gehazi spirit can be summed up in one word: greed.

Gehazi must of seen the animals that were loaded down with gifts to be given to Elisha, and was shocked with Elisha refused them. Besides the garments, Naaman had brought a gift of around one million dollars.

He secretly left the house to pursue the departing company of Naaman. When Naaman spotted Gehazi approaching him at a run, he stopped the chariot, dismounted, and asked, "Is all well."

Gehazi replied, "All is well," (but and now the lie), "My master has sent me saying, "Behold, just now two young men of the sons of the prophets have come to me from the hill country of Ephraim. Please give them a talent of silver and two changes of clothes." Otherwise give a token of your appreciation for the supernatural miracle."

The issue here is payment for the supernatural. Miracles and healing or the supernatural are not to be a commodity of the believer to sell. Yet it is being practiced in many deceitful forms among believers around the world. It is a shame of the Christian Community.

When you look at the gravity of God's response through Elisha, "Therefore, the leprosy of Naaman shall cleave to you and to your descendants forever", it should be a clear signal to those who practice such behavior a "beware sign" that trouble is ahead.

Now, to the main thought of this lesson: 2 kings 5:17. "Two mules load of earth"

Why such a strange request? It is strange to our society, but not during the time of Elisha.

The custom of the ancient Jews when they traveled outside of Israel was to take some dirt along, so when they faced Jerusalem in prayer according to the prayer of Solomon, they would be kneeling down on a part of Israel itself. They believed the presence of God abode on the land of Israel.

Solomon's formula for the supernatural. 2 Chr. 6:12-

"Kneeling down on a brazen platform "5 x 5 x 3" (dimension of the ancient brazen altar) Solomon declared God's eyes were on the temple day and night. This is where His name had taken up residence, the great I AM THAT I AM was ever ready to supply your need in the now and now.

If you need: forgiveness (21), righteous judgment (23), restoration (24-25), weather (28, victory in battle (34)

You will see this practiced by Daniel, praying three times per day facing Jerusalem

and Elijah praying for rain facing Jerusalem from Mt. Carmel.

Kneeling down on your supernatural miracle

Naaman wanted to kneel down on the “ground of his miracle” when he would accompany his king inside his pagan temple of worship.

Catalog your miracles and in faith kneel down on the supernatural that you have experienced in life. One might have experienced several, others a few, but kneel down on your memorial to a past miracle.

We are not required to face Jerusalem as the ancient Jews, because the temple is not there, and the old has past away, behold new things have come. It would be better to lift your heads to the heavens and by revelation see Jesus crowned and over all things. He is the one whose Name we operate in and we are promised from the scripture, that provisions are in that name.

"Ho! Every one who thirsts, come to the waters; And you who have no money come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk Without money and without cost. "Why do you spend money for what is not bread, And your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And delight yourself in abundance. Incline your ear and come to Me. Listen, that you may live." (Isa 55:1-3).