

WHEN GOD SAYS "GO"

When the Father says "Go!"  
Then our Lord will arise;  
He'll begin to prepare,  
To come down to our skies

"Assemble, ye angels!  
It's time that we go;  
All the children of God,  
Are awaiting below."

How it's time for the saints  
Who have died in the past,  
To come back with their Lord,  
Resurrection at last!

What a company there'll be!  
Coming down from above;  
With the Bridegroom's desire  
For the Bride of His love.

First the trumpet will sound,  
Next the Archangel's cry;  
Then the Lord will command,  
"Come to me! Up on high!"

In a moment of time,  
We'll be swept up on high;  
And we'll leave this old Earth,  
Without saying goodbye!

We'll meet Jesus our Lord,  
In the Heavens above;  
And forever we'll dwell,  
In His presence and love.

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"NAAMAN"



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## “NAAMAN THE LEPER”

**TEXT:** “Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honorable, because by him the LORD had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, **but he was a leper**”. II KINGS 5:1

**INTRODUCTION:** He was a Captain of the Syrian army, a great man, an honorable man, a mighty man, but he was a leper.

### I. NAAMAN WAS DEFORMED:

A. Verse 1 “Now Naaman, captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honorable, because by him the LORD had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also a mighty man in valour, **but he was a leper**”.

B. He was a leper

C. The human race is deformed by sin

### II. NAAMAN WAS INFORMED:

A. Verse 3 “And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord *were* with the prophet that *is* in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy ”.

B. Informed by a little maid:

1. She was content

2. She was confident

3. She was courageous

4. She was compassionate

C. We are informed about our:

1. Nature of sin

2. Name of Jesus

3. Need for Jesus

### III. NAAMAN FINALLY CONFORMED:

A. Verse 9-14 “So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha. And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying, Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and

thou shalt be clean. But Naaman was wroth, and went away, and said, Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the LORD his God, and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper. *Are* not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in them, and be clean? So he turned and went away in a rage. And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, *if* the prophet had bid thee *do some* great thing, wouldest thou not have done *it*? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean? Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean”.

B. We can be made clean when we conform:

1. The plan of God

2. The promise of God

3. The power of God

### IV. NAAMAN WAS TRANSFORMED:

A. Verse 14 “Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan, according to the saying of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean”.

B. He was changed (The Story of Naaman’s Seven ducks in muddy puddle).

C. Because he obeyed

D. You can be transformed by believing the Gospel

E. You can be transformed by repenting of your sins and trusting Christ.

“And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian. And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong” (Luke 4:27-29).