

Week 3 – Connection Group Questions

Open:

- 1. Have you ever made a significant discovery that you initially kept to yourself? A wallet full of cash? A delicious recipe? A great spot to fish or camp?
- 2. Did you continue to keep it a secret? Or did you tell others of your find?

Dig:

Read 2 Kings 7:1-2

3. Elisha brings good news that God is sending relief from the harsh famine in a matter of hours. Do you naturally trust in God's deliverance in times of trial, or do you find yourself doubting His willingness or ability to make a difference like the king's officer?

Read 2 Kings 7:3-9

- 4. Do you buy into the logic of the four lepers (vv.3-4)? What about the logic of the Syrian/Arameans to abandon the camp and run for their lives (vv. 5-7)?
- 5. In what sense was it right for the lepers to eat and drink items not belonging to them? Finders keepers? All's fair in love and war?
- 6. In what ways were their actions wrong or misguided?

Read 2 Kings 7:10-17

- 7. How does the end of this story give us confidence in God and his promises?
- 8. How does the demise of the king's officer serve as a warning to each of us?

Reflect:

9. What lessons can we learn from the lepers about the blessings of God being used to accomplish His purposes beyond meeting our needs?

Prayer: Close in prayer asking God to give us courage to live differently!