

The Cleansing of Naaman and Saul

Both Were Sinners Opposing God

- Both were **enemies** of God's people – 1 Kgs 5:1; Acts 7:57 – 8:3
- Both fought in **ignorance** against God – 2 Kgs. 5:2, 17; 1 Tim. 1:12-15
- **Sin** makes us God's enemy – Eph. 2:1-3; Col. 1:21-22

Both Were Offered Cleansing by Grace

- Both were blessed to learn of God's grace – 2 Kgs. 5:2-3; Acts 9:3-6
- Both could receive God's grace if they sought it – 2 Kgs. 5:4-9; Acts 9:5-6, 10-16, 8
- Both could receive grace by obedience of faith – 2 Kgs. 5:10; Acts 22:14-16; 9:9, 11
- Both would not receive grace if their contrary thoughts prevailed – 2 Kgs. 5:10-12; Acts 26:9-11
- Both received grace after their faith led to obedience – 2 Kgs. 5:13-14; Acts 22:16; 9:18

If You are in Sin,
then **YOU**...

- Stand as an enemy of God – Col. 1:21; Eph. 2:1-3
- Have been offered grace through the gospel – Acts 20:24
- Must seek God's grace where it can be found—in Jesus – Rom. 3:23-24; 6:23
- Can receive grace by obedience of faith – Heb. 11:6; 5:8-9
- Cannot let contrary thoughts prevail – Jn. 8:31-32
- Must have **faith** enough to **obey** Christ **in baptism** to be **cleansed** – Mk. 16:16; Acts 2:36-38; Col. 2:12-13; Rom. 6:3