

# 2 Kings 5:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 5: God's grace extends to Gentiles; judgment on greed. The divine name emphasizes Yahweh's covenant relationship with Israel and His sovereign control over historical events. The prophetic ministry served as God's primary means of covenant enforcement, calling both kings and people to faithfulness. During this period, Israel and Judah struggled with persistent idolatry, particularly Baal worship introduced under Ahab and Jezebel.

The narrative demonstrates God's justice in judging covenant unfaithfulness while maintaining His ultimate purposes for redemption.

## Historical Context

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**Historical Setting:** 2 Kings 5 takes place during the Elisha prophetic ministry, approximately 850-800 BCE. The chapter's theme (Naaman's Healing and Gehazi's

Greed) reflects the historical reality of God's compassionate provision through prophetic miracles while both kingdoms struggled with persistent idolatry. Archaeological evidence from this period includes royal inscriptions, administrative documents, and material culture that corroborate the biblical account while providing additional context for understanding the political and social dynamics at work.

## Related Passages

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**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Genesis 1:1** — Creation of heavens and earth

## Study Questions

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1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 5 regarding god's grace extends to gentiles; judgment on greed?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's character, particularly His justice, mercy, and faithfulness to covenant promises?
3. In what practical ways should this text shape contemporary Christian thinking about faithfulness, worship, and obedience to God?

## Interlinear Text

מִתְּבָא הָוּ	וְשָׁבַע	אֶל	אֶשְׁ	אֶלְהִים	וְאֶל	הַ	וְכָל	מִתְּבָא הָוּ
And he returned		H413	to the man		of God		H1931	he and all his company
H7725			H376		H430			H4264
and came	and stood	H935	before	him and he said	H559	בְּנֵי אָמָר	בְּנֵי אָמָר	Behold now I know
		H5975	H6440		H2009	בְּנֵי אָמָר		H3045
וְאֶלְהִים	בְּכָל	בְּכָל	בְּאָרֶץ	בְּאָרֶץ	כִּי	כִּי	בְּיִשְׁרָאֵל	וְאֶלְהִים
of God		H3605	in all the earth		H3588	כִּי	בְּיִשְׁרָאֵל	H6258
H3588	H369		H776		H518		H3478	
וְאֶלְהִים	בְּכָל	בְּכָל	בְּרָכָה	בְּרָכָה	מֵא	מֵא	עַבְדָּךְ:	עַבְדָּךְ:
now therefore I pray thee take		H4994	a blessing		H853		of thy servant	
H3947			H1293				H5650	

## Additional Cross-References

**Daniel 2:47** (References God): The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth it is, that your God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.

**Isaiah 44:8** (References God): Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.

**Isaiah 44:6** (References God): Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

**Isaiah 45:6** (Sin): That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

**Romans 10:10** (Parallel theme): For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

**2 Corinthians 9:5** (Parallel theme): Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your bounty, whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as a matter of bounty, and not as of covetousness.

**Joshua 9:9** (References God): And they said unto him, From a very far country thy servants are come because of the name of the LORD thy God: for we have heard the fame of him, and all that he did in Egypt,

**1 Kings 18:36** (References God): And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that Elijah the prophet came near, and said, LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word.

**2 Kings 5:8** (References God): And it was so, when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that he sent to the king, saying, Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel.

**1 Samuel 25:27** (Sin): And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be given unto the young men that follow my lord.