

**Story Time - Read the story to the children**  
**Lesson 106: ELISHA RAISES A BOY FROM THE DEAD**  
**2 KINGS 4:18-36**

And the boy that Elisha told the Shunammite woman she was going to have grew, and the day came that he went out to his father to where they were harvesting crops. And he said to his father, "My head, my head!" And he said to a young man, "Carry him to his mother." And he carried him and brought him to his mother. And the boy sat on her knees until noon and then died. And she went up and laid him on the bed of Elisha, the man of God, and shut the door and went out. And she called to her husband and said, Please send me one of the young men and one of the donkeys so that I may run to the man of God and come back again. And he said, Why will you go to him today? It's not the new moon or the Sabbath. And she said, "Everything is all right". And she saddled a donkey and said to her servant, "Drive fast and go forward! Don't slow down for me unless I tell you to". And she went and came to the man of God, to Mount Carmel. And it happened when the man of God saw her far away, he said to Gehazi his servant, "Look, it's the Shunammite woman. Please run now to meet her, and say to her, Is everything all right with you? Is everything all right with your husband? Is everything all right with the boy?" And she answered, "Yes, everything's all right!" And she came to the man of God to the hill, and she grabbed his feet. And Gehazi came to her to push her away. And the man of God said, "Leave her alone, for her soul is troubled within her. And the LORD has hidden it from me and has not told me what is wrong". And she said, "Did I ask you for a son? Did I not say, Don't trick me"? Then he said to Gehazi, "Get ready to go and take my staff in your hand, and then go. If you meet anyone, don't stop to say hello to him. And if anyone says hello to you, don't say anything back. And lay my staff across the boy's face". And the mother of the child said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you". So he got up and followed her. And Gehazi went on before them and laid the staff across the child's face, but there wasn't any sound. And he turned back to meet Elisha and told him, saying, "The boy has not awakened". And Elisha had come to the house. And behold, the boy was dead, and laid out on his bed. And he went in and shut the door behind him, leaving just the two of them in the room, and he prayed to the LORD. And he went up and laid on the boy, mouth to mouth, eyes to eyes, and put his hands on his hands. And he stretched himself across the boy. And the boy's skin became warm. And Elisha walked back and forth in the house. And he went up and stretched himself across him again. And suddenly the boy sneezed seven times, and then opened his eyes. And Elisha called Gehazi and said, "Call the Shunammite woman". And he called her, and she came in to him. And Elisha said, "Pick up your son!"

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“Elisha went into the house, and there was the child, lying dead on his bed.” **2 Kings 4:32**

“And Elisha walked back and forth in the house. And he went up and stretched himself across him again. And suddenly the boy sneezed seven times, and then opened his eyes.” **2 Kings 4:35**

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## **MEMORY VERSE:**

“And he went in, and shut the door behind the two of them, and he prayed to the LORD”  
**2 KINGS 4:33**

## **TRUE OR FALSE**

1. Now one day the Shunammite boy went out to his father where they were harvesting crops. TRUE or FALSE
2. The boy said, “My leg! My leg!” And his father told a young man to take him to his mother. TRUE or FALSE
3. When he took him to his mother, he sat on her lap until noon, then he died. TRUE or FALSE
4. She went up and laid the boy on the man of God’s donkey, and closed the door. TRUE or FALSE
5. The woman left and went out to Mount Carmel where the man of God was. TRUE or FALSE

## **ANSWER THE QUESTIONS**

1. What did the woman do to Elisha when she got to him? Did she grab ahold of his feet?
2. When Elisha’s servant Gehazi laid Elisha’s staff across the boy’s face, did the boy wake up?
3. When Elisha followed Gehazi back to the woman’s house, what did he do? Did he go upstairs to where the boy was?
4. What did Elisha do when he got into the room? What was the very first thing he did? Did he pray to the LORD?
5. Then what did Elisha do? Did he lay across the boy? What happened to the boy’s skin when he did? Did it become warm?
6. After Elisha walked around the house, then what did he do again? Did he lay across the boy again? Then what happened? Did the boy sneeze seven times, and then wake up?

## Lesson 106 – Practice the Memory verse!

Take the memory verse and put it to a song – something easy like “Twinkle Twinkle Little Star” – Sing the memory verse once for the children, then have them sing it with you – don’t forget the verse!

For example, today’s memory verse can be put to Twinkle Twinkle Little Star:

And-he-went-in & shut-the-door be-e-hind-the-two-of them.

And-he-pray-ed to-the-LORD Second-Kings-four-thirty-three.

This-is-what-my-Bible-says, I-will-keep-it-in-my-heart!

Don’t worry if you can’t sing – the worse you sound, the more fun they’ll have!!!

### OPTIONAL ACTIVITY:

#### E, E, Elisha!

This game is a variation of “Duck, Duck, Goose.” Have the children sit in a circle. Choose one child to be “it.” They will go around the circle of children saying, “E, E, E.” With each “E” they can tap one of the children. Then when they say, “Elisha!” the person they tag will get up and chase them around the circle. The “tagged” person

must try to catch the child who tagged them before they run around the circle and sit down in the vacant spot. If they cannot catch them, the “tagged” child will become “it.” If they do catch them, the original child will remain “it” until someone cannot catch them. Allow a few rounds of this game.

### OPTIONAL CRAFT:

#### Helping Hands

In today’s lesson, we learned about how Elisha helped the Shunammite woman. For this craft, the children will be making “Helping Hands.” On a light colored piece of construction paper have the children trace their own hands. Next have them cut out the hands on the paper. Have them glue the hands to a different color of construction paper. On the left hand, have the children write down the ways that ELISHA reached out in kindness in our lesson today. On the right hand, have the children write down ways that they can reach out to others in kindness. For younger children, you will have to help with the writing. If you would like, you can have them decorate their picture with markers or by gluing on different things (ex. Colored rice, etc.).

## PRAYER

Lead the children in a prayer to ask the Lord how He would like to use each one of us and then for the strength and ability to help others around us. If there are any children who have not yet responded to the Gospel, give them opportunity.