

Bible Story 105
Elisha and the Shunammite Woman
2 Kings 4:8-17

OPENING ACTIVITIES

- **Craft**
 - Cover the table with paper and draw the floor plan of a house with many rooms
 - Have the children cut out pictures of furniture from magazines and glue the pictures in the house

WORSHIP

PRAYER

STORY

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- **Tell the story using props**
 - As you share the passage with the children, use a dollhouse with dolls and furniture or stuffed animals with some small furniture to act out the story

MEMORY VERSE

1 Timothy 6:6

“Now godliness with contentment is great gain.”

- The Shunammite woman displayed godliness as she gave sacrificially to bless Elisha. She also demonstrated contentment when Elisha offered to bless her in return
- Practice the verse by chanting it in rhythm
 - Add clapping, marching, jumping, and funny voices as you continue to repeat the verse

ACTIVITIES

- Color
 - Color the picture with the memory verse on it
- Application
 - Read Luke 6:35b – “... Do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great...”
 - Encourage the children to be like the Shunammite woman, looking for people they can bless
 - Together as a class, work on a project to bless a person who is serving God (a pastor, ministry leader, missionary...)
 - You may want to make cards, make a gift, make a snack, or do some type of service that would bless that person (clean an office, wash windows, wash a car, empty trash, stuff envelopes...)
- Application
 - The Shunammite woman was content. Even though she had a longing in her heart for a child, she was thankful for what she did have. She did not complain, or even ask for anything when the offer was given
 - Give each child a picture of the inside of a house where a bedroom, a living room, a kitchen, and a bathroom are clearly visible
 - Have the children draw or write something in each room of the house that they are thankful they have in that room of their own house
 - Encourage the children to be thankful. Thankfulness is a key to contentment

MATERIALS

- Coloring paper with memory verse on it (Print the coloring page from <http://www.calvaryknoxville.org/OTTableOfContents.pdf> and cut and paste the memory verse onto the bottom)
- Crayons
- Bulletin board paper
- Magazines to cut from
- Glue
- Scissors
- Dollhouse with table, chair, lamp, and bed
- 3 toy men and 1 toy woman
- Supplies for a project to bless someone who is serving God
- Paper for each child with the inside of a house shown on it