

A Couple Helped Elisha

VERSE

Show love
to one another.
ROMANS 12:10

MATCH Items

Invite your child to help you make the beds together one morning. Talk about the room the couple made for Elisha in their home (reverse side). Match similar items in one of your bedrooms to what the couple put in Elisha's room.

TAKE Groceries

Tell the Bible story (reverse side). Remind your child that God wants us to do good to everyone. Say that we can show love to one another by shopping for food to help a local food pantry. Allow your child to help you choose the food, box or bag it up, and deliver it to the local pantry.



Babies

VISIT a Neighbor

Mention to your baby how a couple helped Elisha by providing a room for him to stay when he was in town (reverse side). State the Unit Verse (top of page). Take your baby to visit a neighbor or friend. Talk with your baby about helping others on the way to the visit.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

1

CONVERSATION

LIFE POINT

Families can love and help people in the community.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

A couple built a room on their house for Elisha. He stayed there when he traveled through their town. God wants us to work together to love and care for the people in our community.



LIVE IT OUT

Encourage your child to help at home and in your community. Assign duties that correspond to his age. Take your child along to help when your church serves the community.



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Families love one another.



DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: Galatians 6:10

Monday: Romans 12:13

Tuesday: 1 John 4:7

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Thursday: Romans 13:10

Friday: Proverbs 19:17

Saturday: Matthew 5:42

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BASED ON 2 KINGS 4:8-17

Babies

A man and woman gave Elisha food to eat.

The couple made a room for Elisha in their home.

The couple put a bed, table, chair, and lamp in the room.

Elisha told the woman she would have a baby boy.



1s

A man named Elisha went to many towns to tell people about God.

In one town, a woman and her husband were kind to Elisha. They asked him to eat with them.

The couple made a small room in their house where Elisha could rest.

Elisha wanted a way to thank the couple. He told the woman that she would have a baby boy.

2s

A man named Elisha often visited a town called Shunem (SHOO nem). A woman and her husband became friends with Elisha. They asked him to eat at their house.

The woman told her husband that she wanted to build a room for Elisha.

The couple built a small room upstairs for Elisha. They put a table, chair, lamp, and bed in the room.

When Elisha went to Shunem, the family showed him his new room on the roof of their house.

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WEEKLY VERSE Do good to everyone. Galatians 6:10



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VERSE

Do good to everyone.
(Galatians 6:10)

Find WHAT DOES NOT BELONG

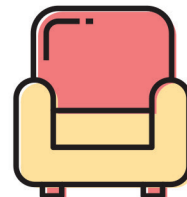
LOOK at the picture. Can you find and CIRCLE FIVE THINGS that do not belong?



Circle THE PICTURES

Elisha's room had a bed, lamp, table, and chair. What do you have in your room?

CIRCLE the items you have in your room.



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Elisha was a prophet of God. A prophet told people what God wanted them to know. Elisha walked from town to town, telling people about God's love. When Elisha came to a town, he often felt tired and hungry. He needed a place to eat and sleep.

Elisha often went to a town called Shunem (SHOO nem). Every time Elisha went to Shunem, he ate a meal at the home of a man and his wife who lived in the town.

One day the woman said to her husband, "Elisha helps people know about God. Let us build a room for Elisha. He can stay here when he comes to town." The couple built the room on the roof of their house. Inside the room they placed a bed, table, lamp, and chair.

When Elisha returned to Shunem, the couple showed him the room. Now Elisha had a special place to rest when he came to town. Elisha was thankful.



WEEKLY VERSE DO GOOD TO EVERYONE. GALATIANS 6:10



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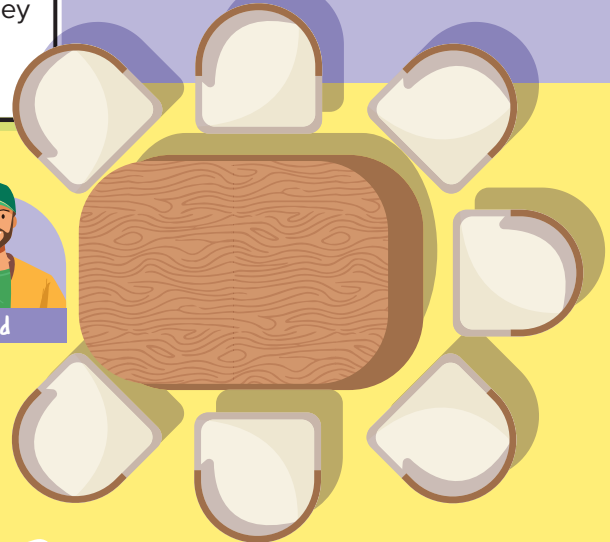
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... love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. 1 John 4:7

WHOSE Seat?

God's plan is for all family members to work together so that God is honored by them. Use the clues to draw a line from each person to where they are sitting around the table. For example, dad is sitting on the far left.

- Sister is seated two seats right from Dad.
- Older Brother is across the table from Sister.
- Dad is sitting between Mom and Grandma.
- Grandpa is sitting between Sister and Grandpa.
- Younger Brother is seated two seats right from Grandpa.
- Mom is seated three seats to the left of Friend.
- Grandpa is seated four seats to the right of Grandma.



Family Plan

A family's love and care should extend beyond the home. Take this activity home and sit down with your family to make a plan to help people in your community. Ideas: Serving at a food pantry, yard work for the elderly, singing at a nearby nursing home, volunteering at church.

Brainstorm

Family Plan



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THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Through this Bible story, your child learned that a married couple wanted to help Elisha, so they built him a room on top of their house. The couple's generous actions showed believers how to help others who want to tell about God and His Son, Jesus.



LIVE IT OUT

Choose a charity, such as sendrelief.org, namb.net, or imb.org. Read online how to get involved, either by donations or serving. Plan as a family how to help others in need. Remind your child that helping people in your community and around the world is important.



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2 KINGS 4:8-37

The prophet Elisha often traveled through the town of Shunem (SHOO-nem). A woman welcomed Elisha to her house for a meal, and Elisha began to stop there often.

The woman said to her husband, "Elisha is a man of God. Let's make a room for him upstairs. We can put a bed, a table, a chair, and a lamp in the room. He can stay with us when he comes to Shunem."

One day Elisha was staying in his upstairs room, and he sent his servant, Gehazi (gih-HAY-zigh), to get the woman. "You've gone to so much trouble for us. What can we do for you?" he asked. The woman did not ask for anything, so Elisha asked his servant, "What can be done for her?"

Gehazi said, "Well, she has no son, and her husband is old."

Elisha called for the woman again and promised her, "Next year, you will have a son!" The woman could hardly believe it. By the next year, she had a son!

Once the boy was old enough, he went to help his father in the field. Suddenly, he cried, "My head! My head!" The father asked a servant to carry the boy home. The son sat on his mother's lap for a time, and then he died.

The woman did something unexpected. She told no one about her son's death. She placed his body on Elisha's bed, shut the door, and left the house! She rode her donkey to find Elisha.

When she reported the news to Elisha, he sent his servant ahead of him. Elisha's servant laid the staff on the boy, but he did not come back alive.

Once Elisha arrived, he went into the room where the boy lay, closed the door, and prayed. Then he put his mouth on the boy's mouth and his hands on the boy's hands. The boy's body warmed up. Then he sneezed seven times and opened his eyes! Elisha called for the woman and said, "Here is your son."

The woman saw that her son was alive, and she thanked Elisha.

WEEKLY VERSE 1 John 4:7



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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Each day you read,
have a parent/guardian initial.
Return your calendar to earn
\$200 Kids' Kash

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5 Philippians 2:4	6 1 Peter 4:8	7 1 John 4:16	8 Galatians 5:13	9 1 Thessalonians 5:11	10 Ephesians 2:10	11 Galatians 6:2
12 Colossians 3:13	13 Matthew 6:14	14 Isaiah 55:7	15 Romans 12:10	16 Matthew 18:21-22	17 1 John 1:9	18 Mark 11:25
19 Psalm 95:6	20 Proverbs 22:6	21 Psalm 34:11	22 John 4:24	23 Deuteronomy 6:6-7	24 Psalm 105:1	25 2 Chronicles 7:14
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