



**FROM THE BIBLE**  
2 Kings 5:11 (NLT)  
2 Kings 5:15-19 (NLT)

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## MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

You Matter | Week 5 | I'm Following Jesus...Now What?

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1. Joel opened up this message by talking about winning the lottery. Just for fun, what's 3 things you would do if you did win the lottery?
2. After Joel's opening story about the lottery, he said this, *if you've been a Jesus Follower for 5 decades or 5 minutes, you have hit the jackpot*. What does that statement mean to you?
3. The data shows that 70% of lottery winners are broke within 7 years. What are some situations where we can start following Jesus, but after the excitement wears off, we can start feeling spiritually broke?
4. In this message, we looked at 3 tips for after we're 'born again' (a reference to Naaman's story of new skin after immersing himself in Jesus symbolically) so we don't go spiritually broke. What do you recall about any of the tips?
5. Tip #1 was *after being 'born again' you start to get better at life*. Contrast Naaman before and after he was symbolically born again in 2 Kings 5:11 & 2 Kings 5:15. What's the difference? What's one thing that God's changed in you since following Him?
6. Discuss this quote from the message, *it's impossible to sincerely attempt to follow Jesus and not start to change*.
7. Tip #2 was *after being 'born again' you start to get better at life...but it takes time*. Read 2 Kings 5:16-17. How much time would you estimate that it would take 2 mules, going approximately 327 miles pulling as much earth as possible to arrive back in Aram?
8. Regarding Tip #2 (see above), discuss this quote from the message, *how much time is it going to take for you to get better at life? The answer...a lifetime*.
9. There are 3 things Joel shared we can do to speed up the time it takes to get better at life. The 3 things were to regularly attend church, listen to worship music, & read the Bible. What area(s) can you focus on to speed up your process?
10. Tip #3 was *after being 'born again' you start to get better at life...but the struggle bus doesn't go away*. How does our struggle with sin keep us dependent on God?