

Be Unexpected (2 Kings 7:3-11)

Part 4 of the message series, "Irresistible"

Today's Big Takeaways:

- *Jesus was full of surprises.*
- *Don't live in the bubble of other people's expectations. Burst the bubble - be an unexpected presence, give unexpected kindness, show unexpected faith, and give unexpected grace.*
- *Always ask: How many lives can my life touch today?*

Taking It Home

Here are some questions to dig deeper into this week's message. Remember to take these questions to your home churches this week. You could also discuss them with your family, your friends or with anyone you meet.

In your experience, what do the people in your orbit "expect" of church people or religious people? How could we be the opposite of that and burst those expectations?

Read 2 Kings 7:3-11. Why was their situation so desperate and hopeless? What were they thinking to make them take that risk? When they found what they found, how would you imagine they were feeling? Do you think they were in any way reluctant to share their hoard?

In what ways did Jesus totally surprise the people of his day? (As one example, read Matthew 5:38-44. Can you think of any other examples from his birth, life, teaching, death and resurrection?)

This week, we learned to (1) Be an Unexpected Presence, (2) Give Unexpected Kindness, (3) Show Unexpected Faith, and (4) Give Unexpected Grace. If we lived this out, in what ways could we surprise people and point them to Jesus?

In the course of any given day, do you feel like your life touches many other people's lives? How could you put yourself in a position to make more of an impact?