

- Do you think God is still asking people to go into the world to spread the good news of Jesus through word and deed?
Explain your answer.

Following your discussion, open the travel bag and take out the cross. Sit it in the middle of the circle and ask:

- How is taking a trip with Jesus different from other trips? What are some similarities?
- What type of work could we do to fulfill Jesus' call to go into the world?
- Where might we find some of these needs nearby? Where would we find them in places far away?

Following your discussion, ask the students for suggestions on possible mission projects and then close with prayer.

Open the lesson by distributing index cards and pencils. Ask the teenagers to make a list of three things they would change about the world. Then have one or two students read their lists.

Ask these questions:

- Why is it often difficult for dreams of transformation in our world to become realities?
- How would you describe God's role in transforming our world?
- Read 2 Kings 4:38-41 aloud, then ask:
 - What does this Bible account tell you about God's transforming power in a time of need?
 - How did God change things in this passage?
 - What connections do you see between our human needs and God's power to transform a dire situation?

Invite the teenagers to write on the backs of their index cards as they answer the following questions. Tell your students that no one will be asked to share his or her answers with the group:

- What is one thing you would like God to transform in your life?
- What is one thing you would like God to help you transform in your world?

Close the lesson with a time of silent reflection.

Module 3: God Blesses

Key Scripture: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Begin by asking the teenagers to complete the following sentence:

- My greatest blessing from God is...