

## **2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15**

Vladimir Putin, president of the Russian Federation, was a great man and in high favour with his country, because by him the Lord had given victory to Russia. The man, though strong, suffered from AIDS. Now there was a young muslim girl whose mother was from the United States and whose father was from Russia. She worked as a housekeeper in the presidential palace and served Putin's wife. She said to his wife, 'If only President Putin were with the prophet Kevin who is in Missoula, Montana! He would cure him of his AIDS.' So, President Putin sent President Barrack Obama a message saying that he was coming to the United States. When President Obama got the message, he threw up his arms and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure him of his AIDS? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me. He might be trying to invade the United States!'

But when Kevin heard on TV that President Obama was so worried, he sent him a message: 'Why are you so afraid of Russia invading? Let Putin come to me, so that he may learn that there is a prophet here.' Now Kevin was a homeless man who was currently living in the Poverello Center because it was getting cold at nights and he could no longer sleep under the Reserve Street bridge. So, President Putin came to Missoula in a private plane flanked by fighter jets, security guards, as well as a 50 car motorcade. He halted at the entrance of the Poverello Center. Instead of coming outside, Kevin sent a text to the president saying, 'Go, wash in the manure pond on the Iverson ranch seven times, and your cancer shall be healed and you shall be clean.' But Putin became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the AIDS! Are not the Columbia, Madison, Blackfoot, or Clarkfork rivers better? Why in the world does he want me to wash in the same body of water that cows use to go to the bathroom? Could I not wash in another body of water, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his aides approached and said to him, 'Sir, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more then, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So the president went down and immersed himself seven times in the manure pond on the Iverson ranch, according to the word of the man of God; his AIDS was healed and he was clean.

Then President Putin returned to Kevin, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except your God; please accept a present from your servant.'