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Series: Jesus Takes Care of Me
Winter Year 2, Lesson 37

Jesus Heals a Paralyzed Man

Take Home Point: *WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK
...I ask Jesus to help the sick.

*Repeat this phrase throughout the lesson. The leader will say the first part of the phrase (CAPS). The children respond with the second part of the phrase (*italics*).

Bible Event: Luke 5:17-26

We will help children know:

- The Bible Event of Jesus healing a paralyzed man.
- The greatest healing is the healing of the sinful heart.
- Jesus will heal his children physically, if not on earth, then in heaven.

We will help the children feel:




- Compassion for those who are hurt.
- Trust that Jesus will heal his children physically, if not on earth, then in heaven.
- Thankful that Jesus heals our sinful hearts.

We will help the children do:

- Interact with puppet presentation to introduce the Bible Event.
- Participate in the Bible event.
- Craft: Man on a Mat.
- Snack: Man on a Mat.
- Game: Roller Race.
- Teach Albie the Take Home Point: *WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...*I ask Jesus to help the sick.*
- Sing and Pray.

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THIS LESSON'S ROADMAP

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Small Group Application 	8 9 10 11	Activity 1: Craft-Man on a Mat Activity 2: Snack-Man on a Mat Activity 3: Game-Roller Race Prayer Time	<i>Activity 1: Craft</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appendix A, 1 per 4 children crayons or markers glue sticks ½ piece of construction paper per child 3 strips per child of construction paper cut into 1/2" x 8 1/2" 4 strips per child of construction paper cut into 1/2" x 5 1/2" safety scissors label saying: Jesus heals a man who could not walk. <i>Activity 2: Snack</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> napkins, cups, water or juice one stick pretzel per child one Club cracker each child ½ slice of American cheese or deli meat for each child <i>Activity 3: Game</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> masking tape one scooter, rolling chair or wagon per team heart stickers chair for shepherd
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Pre-Session Singing (10 minutes)

Purpose: *When all children are in one group singing, it is easy for children arriving later to join the group and immediately get involved.*

Large Group Opening (15 minutes)



Purpose: *The puppet demonstrates today's lesson. The children are introduced to the take home point and experience the Bible event.*

Puppet Presentation

Supplies: Judy puppet holding a stuffed dog with its front paw wrapped up in bandages; Presenter holds a Bible

Presenter: Boys and girls, let's call Judy. (Children call "Judy".)

Judy: Hi everyone.

Presenter: Judy, who is with you?

Judy: It's my puppy, Cuddles.

Presenter: Is she hurt?

Judy: Yes.

Presenter: What happened?

Judy: I was taking her for a walk. Then I saw my friend Rachel. I asked her to come with us.

Presenter: How did that hurt your dog?

Judy: We were walking and talking and I wasn't watching very carefully.

Presenter: Uh oh.

Judy: Cuddles stepped on a big piece of broken glass! She cried and cried. It was bleeding and she could not walk. It was horrible!

Presenter: What did you do?

Judy: Rachel helped me carry her home. I knew my mom would know what to do.

Presenter: Did your mother help?

Judy: Yes. She called the doggie doctor. He said to wash out the cut, put some medicine on it and wrap it up. That's what my mommy did. She made Cuddles all better.

Presenter: Wow, Judy. Your dog couldn't walk; your friend helped you carry her and your mommy fixed Cuddles paw so she could walk again. This reminds me of our Bible event today.

Judy: Did someone's puppy get hurt?

Presenter: No. In our Bible event some men had a friend who could not walk.

Judy: Just like my puppy!

Presenter: How do you think those men felt?

Judy: Did they feel sad like I felt when my puppy couldn't walk?

Presenter: Yes, and they wanted to help!

Judy: What did they do?

Presenter: Guess! *(To the audience)* What do you think these men did when their friend was sick? *(Take answers...)* Yes, they brought him to Jesus, and they did it in the most unusual way.

Judy: Did they drive him on a motorcycle?

Presenter: No! That would be really strange, since they didn't even have motorcycles back then. But listen to today's Bible Event and you'll find even a stranger way they brought him.

Judy: I can't wait! Let's begin!

Presenter: First, let's practice the take home point. I'll say the first part and you say the second part.

Judy: OK

Presenter: *WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...now you say, "I ask Jesus to help the sick."

Judy: I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: Do you think you can teach the boys and girls?

Judy: Sure.

Presenter: Okay everybody, ***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**

Judy: (and everyone): I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: One more time. ***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**

Judy: (and everyone): I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: Wonderful. I hope your puppy gets better. Say “goodbye” Judy.

Judy: Bye everyone!

Bible Event: Imagination Theater

Supplies: Six child sized Bible character costumes; mat or folded blanket. Optional: microphone

Today our Bible event is about a man who could not walk. He could not move his legs. Everyone sit on the floor and try to move around without moving your legs. It would be very difficult to do everyday things without our legs.

Call six children forward. Put Bible character costumes on them. Have one child lay on the mat and the other four children stand near the corners of the blanket. Have the child playing Jesus stand several feet away from the other children.

Begin telling the Bible event:

Now let's put on our imagination hats because you will be acting out the Bible event and pretending you are a part of it. All of you in the audience will be the crowd. Your job is to do the actions you see me doing.

One day Jesus was in a house with some men who were teachers of God's Word. People had come from villages all around to see Jesus. Put hands above eyes, visor style.

There was a large crowd of people. They bumped and jostled each other. Pretend to bump and jostle invisible people. They crowded and pushed one another. Pretend to push someone. They even stood on their tiptoes (stand on tiptoes) to try to see Jesus (hand over eyes, visor style). They had heard that Jesus had the power to heal.

Some men had a friend who was paralyzed. That means he couldn't walk and he could not move his legs. They wanted their friend to be

healed. So they put him on a mat and took him to Jesus. Have the four friends pick up the corners of the blanket, walk a couple feet and put the paralyzed man down.

But the men could not get to Jesus. The house was too crowded. Then they thought of an idea. Have the four friends point a finger to their temple. **They would take their friend to the roof of the house and lower him down to Jesus!**

And that is just what they did! They climbed onto the roof. Have four friends pretend to climb. **They cut a hole in the roof.** Four friends pretend to cut hole. **And they lowered their friend down to Jesus.** Four friends pretend to lower ropes.

Inside the house, everyone was noisy. Have crowd mumble loudly. **But, when the man was lowered through the roof, suddenly everyone was quiet.** Crowd quiets.

When Jesus saw the man, he said: Your sins are forgiven. Have Jesus character repeat the phrase into microphone. **Your sins are forgiven.**

When the teachers of God's word heard this, they began to grumble in their hearts. Have crowd grumble quietly. **"Who is this man?" they wondered. "Only God can forgive sins."**

Jesus answered them: Have Jesus character repeat each underlined phrase into microphone. **What is easier?** **To say, "Your sins are forgiven?"** **Or to say, "Walk?"** **I have God's power.** **Get up!** **Pick up your mat!** **Walk home!**

Immediately the man stood up. Paralytic man stands up. **He picked up his mat.** Paralytic picks up mat. **He went home praising God.**

Paralytic goes off stage, jumping up and down and shouting, "Praise God!"

The people were all amazed. They could hardly believe it, and they praised God. Crowd raises arms and shouts, "Praise God!"

What is so wonderful about this story is that the man was healed in two ways. First, Jesus healed him on the inside by forgiving his sins. Second, Jesus healed him on the outside by healing his body. Jesus also heals us. He forgives our sins and heals our bodies. He always forgives our sins right away. Sometimes Jesus heals our bodies right away. Sometimes he promises to heal us when we get to heaven. But always, we can ask Jesus to help.

Boys and girls, let's practice the take home point together. I will say the first part and you repeat the last part. ***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...I ask Jesus to help the sick.**

Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

Dear God,
We love you.
Thank you for sending Jesus.
He heals us on the inside and outside.
Thank you, thank you, thank you.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Song:

Let's sing our song of the week. (To the tune of *Farmer in the Dell*)
Capitalized letters indicate emphasis on that syllable when the rhyme is sung.

JE-sus HEALS the SICK.
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ALL WE have TO DO is ASK.
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Small Group Application (30 minutes)



Purpose: Children will break into small groups. Smaller groups enable children to develop closer relationships with adults and peers in the church. In your small groups you will reinforce the take home point with a fun hands-on activity and discuss the Bible event. Review questions help kids apply the take home point to their daily lives.

Activity 1: Craft “Man on a Mat”

Supplies: Copies of Appendix A, one per four children; ½ piece of construction paper per child; 3 strips of construction paper cut ½” wide x 8 ½” long per child; 4 strips of construction paper cut 1/2” wide x 5 1/2”, per child; glue sticks; crayons; safety scissors; label with words, *Jesus Heals a Man Who Could Not Walk*. Note: Construction paper should each be a different color.

Boys and girls, today we are going to make a mat for a lame man. How did he look different after Jesus healed him? (His sins were forgiven, he was happy; he could walk.)

What did Jesus do first? (Forgave his sins.)

1. Glue the paper strips onto the construction paper in crisscross fashion to resemble a woven mat.

Note: Weaving the strips will be too difficult for young children. Have children glue the strips going in one direction on top of the strips going in the opposite direction.

2. Cut out and color the picture of the lame man.
3. Glue the lame man onto the mat.
4. Add the label to the picture.

Review the Bible Event.

Why did the men bring their friend to Jesus? (*They wanted Jesus to heal his body.*)

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Activity 2: Snack "Man on a Mat"

Supplies: napkins, cups, water or juice; one stick pretzel per child; one Club cracker per child; ½ slice of American cheese or deli meat for each child

*****CAUTION: Be aware of food allergies children may have, before you give them anything to eat.**

Before we eat our snack, let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

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Thank you, thank you, thank you.
In Jesus' name.
Amen.

Boys and girls, today we are going to make and eat a pretend man on a mat to remind us of our Bible event.

First, lay your pretend man (the pretzel) on the cracker. Now cover him up with your cheese (or meat). Now you can eat your pretend man on a mat.

Review the Bible event.

How did Jesus help him? (*Jesus healed him on the inside by forgiving him and on the outside by making him able to walk.*)

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Activity 3: Game "Roller Race"

Supplies: masking tape; one scooter, rolling chair or wagon per team; heart stickers; chair for shepherd

Boys and girls, today we are going to play a game called Roller Race.

Jesus loves everyone and wants to help everyone. The best way he helps people is by forgiving their sins and healing their sinful hearts. He also heals peoples' bodies, just as he healed the man who was paralyzed. We can show Jesus love by asking him to help people who are hurt or sick. Our game today will remind to ask Jesus to help a sick person.

To set up:

- Make two parallel 15-foot lines of masking tape about 4-feet apart from one another to create a “runway.”
- At one end of the runway connect the lines with another strip of masking tape.
- Put a scooter (rolling chair or wagon) behind the connecting line.
- Set a chair between the strips of tape at the other end of the runway.
- Set the stickers by the chair.
- Create additional runways for each team competing in the game.

To play:

- Divide children into two teams and choose one child from each team to start the game.
- The starters sit on their team’s scooter behind the starting line.
- The other children sit on the floor lining both sides of the runway. They must sit outside the masking tape.
- Have a shepherd from each team sit on her team's chair and hold the team’s hearts stickers.
- One shepherd starts the game by saying, “When someone is sick...”
- The children on the scooters scoot down to the shepherd with the hearts, taps the shepherd gently, and says, “I ask Jesus to help.”
- The shepherd gives the child a heart sticker and the child puts it on.
- The child now scoots to someone else on his team who does not have a sticker and says, “When someone is sick...”
- The children trade places. The child on the scooter now sits down and the child on the floor gets on the scooter.
- The child now on the scooter goes to the shepherd and says, “I ask Jesus to help.”
- Play repeats itself as before until every child has a sticker.
- The last child to get a sticker goes back to the start line, which is now the finish line.
- The first team to cross the finish line wins.

Review the Bible event.

Who do you know that needs Jesus’ healing? *(Answers will vary but may include a sick family member, a friend who is hurt, etc.)*

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Prayer Time:

We can ask Jesus to help. How does Jesus help a person who needs healing? How does Jesus help us? (*Jesus helps by healing both on the inside, by forgiving sins, and on the outside by healing the body. If he does not heal the body on earth, he will someday in heaven.*)

Ask children for prayer requests and pray as a group for child's request.

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Large Group Wrap-Up (10 minutes)



Purpose: *The crazy bird puppet, Albie, struggles with learning the take home point. We try to teach him the take home point, but each time he confuses words or concepts. After three attempts, he finally gets it right.*

Singing: (Optional, two or three songs, as time allows)

Supplies: Albie the puppet, sample of today's craft and snack.

Lesson Review with Puppet Skit

Presenter shows Albie an example of each of the Activities done in small group. Then the kids attempt to teach Albie the take home point.

Presenter: **We want to welcome all our guests today and thank them for coming.**

(If you give guests a gift for coming, do it now.)

Presenter: **Albie, look at the craft the children made today. It is a man on a mat. The children are going to teach you our take home point. Listen carefully.**



Presenter: (says to kids):
Kids say:

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**
...I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: (says to Albie):
Albie says:

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**
Don't let them cough or sneeze on you!

Presenter: **Albie, look at the snack we ate. It looks like man on a mat. Now listen carefully to the take home point.**

Presenter: (says to kids):
Kids say:

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**
...I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: (says to Albie):
Albie says:

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**
Eat lots of cheese and crackers!

Presenter: **Albie, today we played a game called Roller Race. Now, please listen closely to the take home point.**

Presenter: (says to kids):
Kids say:

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**
...I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: (says to Albie):
Albie says:

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**
Roll them on the floor and let your puppy lick them!

Presenter says: **"Albie, listen one last time.**
***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**

Kids response: ...I ask Jesus to help the sick.

Presenter: (says to Albie): ***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...**

Albie's response: (Warms up his singing voice with "Mee, mee, mee, mee..." and sings in a silly dramatic opera-like voice)

***WHEN SOMEONE IS SICK...I ask Jesus to help the sick.**

Presenter says to Albie: **Good job, Albie!**

Albie can leave stage or join in the prayer and song.

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Goodbye boys and girls. Remember that God loves you and he wants you to ask Jesus for help when someone is sick.

