



UNIT 8, SESSION 3

JESUS HEALS THE BLIND MAN

JOHN 9

KEY POINTS

Jesus healed the blind man. • Jesus can heal.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION

Who can heal? Jesus can heal!

MEMORY VERSE

The Lord is my strength and my shield. Psalm 28:7



LEADER BIBLE STUDY

God created us with five senses: touch, smell, taste, hearing, and sight. Sight is a precious gift from Him. This week's lesson reminds us not to take that gift for granted and points us to Jesus, the One who gives both physical and spiritual sight.

In Jesus' day, being blind was extremely difficult. Blind people often had to beg just to survive. When the disciples saw the blind man in our lesson, they immediately asked whose fault it was that he was blind. They were looking for a cause, someone to blame. This reflects how easily we do the same when something hard happens.

Jesus gently corrected them. He explained that the man's blindness was not because of anyone's sin, but so that God's work could be displayed in his life. This is an important truth for us and for the children we teach: While our actions *do* have consequences, many hardships exist because we live in a fallen world, not because someone did something wrong. From the very beginning, sin entered the world through Adam and Eve, and brokenness followed, but God is still at work.

Jesus healed the blind man in an unexpected way. He used mud, touched the man's eyes, and told him to wash. The man obeyed, even though Jesus' instructions may have seemed strange, and his sight was restored. This reminds us that God often works in ways we don't fully understand, and obedience matters, even when it feels unusual or uncomfortable.

After being healed, the man boldly shared what Jesus had done for him. Even when others doubted, questioned, or rejected him, he remained faithful to his testimony. Later, Jesus explained that physical sight is not the greatest miracle. True blindness is spiritual blindness, and true sight comes from knowing Him. Just as the blind man needed Jesus to see, we all need Jesus to open the eyes of our hearts.

As leaders, we have the privilege of guiding young children toward that truth. May we model obedience, trust, and joyful testimony as we point little hearts to the One who gives sight.

WELCOME & OPENING



Connect with children as service starts.

WELCOME

Play music through the undercabinet radio (flash drive), or connect your phone to Bluetooth through the radio and play Christian preschool/Bible songs as you greet children coming into the classroom. Help them transition in and feel welcome as they play games and interact with others.

MEMORY VERSE SONG

Gather children and sing the song below to the tune of “Jesus Loves Me”:

The Lord is my strength and my shield.
Psalm 28:7
(repeat 2x)

THE LORD’S PRAYER/TEN COMMANDMENTS

Toddlers & Twos: Use the provided poster to review the Lord’s Prayer with the children in your class.

Threes & Fours: Using the provided poster, review the Ten Commandments with the children in your class. Read through each one, then have children repeat after you as you say them together.

ACTIVITY



Help children with an activity connected to the lesson.

ACTIVITY: PLAY DOUGH MAT

Give each child one of the provided mats and a small amount/tub of play dough. Evenly distribute the provided eye stickers among the tables. Tell or retell the Bible lesson. As you share, have children do the following as you get to the matching parts of the lesson:

- Put “mud” (play dough) over the man’s eyes.
- Clean the “mud” off.
- Add eye stickers to the man, showing he’s healed.

Send children home with their mat and play dough in the provided plastic baggies.





BABIES & TWOS BIBLE LESSON

A blind man asked Jesus for help. He was born blind so that God's power could be shown in him. Jesus spit on the ground and made some mud. He rubbed it on the blind man's eyes. It felt very strange.

Jesus told the man to wash his eyes in a nearby pool. The man trusted Jesus. He went to the pool and washed his face. He could see for the very first time in his life! He walked home looking at everything around him. The man told everyone that Jesus had healed him. The man believed in Jesus and worshiped Him.

THREES & FOURS BIBLE LESSON

When the disciples saw a blind man begging in the street, they asked Jesus whose fault it was that he was blind. Jesus said it wasn't the man's fault. He was born blind so that God's power could be shown in him.

Jesus spit on the ground and made some mud. He rubbed it on the blind man's eyes. It felt very strange. Jesus told the man to wash his eyes in the pool. The man trusted Jesus. He went to the pool and washed his face. He could see for the very first time in his life! He walked home looking at everything around him.

When his friends and neighbors saw him, they didn't think it was the same person. The man told everyone that Jesus had healed him. The man believed in Jesus and worshiped him.

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SNACK & CLOSING



Continue to engage children near the end of the morning.

SNACK & DISCUSSION

Have everyone wash their hands, then serve a snack. Ask the following questions and retell parts of the lesson as needed.

1. What was your favorite part of today's Bible lesson?
2. What did you learn about God in today's Bible lesson?
3. What did Jesus do to heal the man's eyes?
4. Who can heal? **Jesus can heal!**

CLOSING ACTIVITIES

Sing the clean up song. Have children help put toys on tables.

Gather them on the rug in a circle and have one volunteer read today's Bible lesson from the children's Bible. Have a regular Bible ready as well.

Sing the "B.I.B.L.E." and "Everything in the Bible is Absolutely True" songs. Remind children that the Bible is God's Word and the most important book in the whole world!

The other volunteer should stand at the door and help with pick up, matching stickers, gathering children's things, etc.

BEFORE YOU GO...

Second service leaders, please clean up by doing the following:

1. Spray down toys with disinfectant.
2. Spot sweep if needed.
3. Return toys to closet, close door.
4. Throw away any trash left on counters and in room.
5. Return binders to the cabinet.

THANK YOU FOR SERVING WITH US!