

October 8
9:00am & 11:00am
Three and Four Year Olds
JESUS HEALED SICKNESS
Matthew 9; Mark 5; Luke 8

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Jesus showed His power as the Messiah. Jesus can heal and give dead people life! Jesus died on the cross and rose again to save people from sin and death. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sins and changes us to be more like His Son.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION:

Is Jesus God or a person? Jesus is both God and a person.

KEY PASSAGE: *No one has ever seen God, the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.*

John 1:18

Key Passage Phrase: Jesus shows us what God is like. John 1:18

LEARN

(GATHER ON THE RUG FOR THE LESSON)

1. INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

Explain to the children that when you tap them on the shoulders they are to walk to the group time area and sit. Walk through the classroom and gently tap each child on a shoulder, directing them to the group time area. When all of the children are seated in the group time area, sit with them.

SAY *What did I do to let you know that it was time to go to group time? I touched you on the shoulder. Today in the Bible story, someone touched Jesus' clothes. Listen carefully to see what happens.*

2. PLAY THE BIBLE STORY VIDEO ON THE TV.

9AM Volunteers with 3s in room 125: You will need to combine with room 124 for bible story time.

How? Turn on the TV and Apple TV, Open the Plex App, and play the video with today's date (If needed, the Plex Pin is 1234)

If you have issues with the video, there is a teaching outline at the end of this guide.

3. SAY THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the key passage phrase marker at John 1:8. Invite a child to open your Bible to the key passage. Invite children to stand, form a circle, and hold hands. Guide them to repeat the phrase together as they hold hands.

4. LEARN THE BIG PICTURE QUESTION AND ANSWER

SAY *Is Jesus God or a human? Jesus is both fully God and fully human. Even though Jesus is human like us, He can do things that no other human can do, because He is God, too! He can heal people who are sick and raise people from the dead!*

5. REVIEW THE BIBLE STORY

1. What did you like about the Bible story? (*Preschoolers' answers will vary.*)
2. How many people did Jesus heal in today's Bible story? (*two people: the woman and the girl*)
3. Which people in today's story had faith that Jesus has the power to heal? (*The woman who was healed and Jairus, the girl's father.*)
4. This story shows that God has the power to heal the sick. What does that mean we should do when we are sick? (*We can pray and ask God to heal us when we are sick.*)
5. **Is Jesus God or a human? Jesus is both fully God and fully human.**

SAY *Jesus healed two people in today's story, showing that He has the power to heal. Jesus is not just a healer, He is also our Savior. He died so that we could be saved from our sin. Jesus showed His power*

as the Messiah. Jesus can heal and give dead people life! Jesus died on the cross and rose again to save people from sin and death. When we trust in Jesus, God forgives our sins and changes us to be more like His Son.

6. PRAY

Invite preschoolers to tell you any prayer requests they have. Pray for them.

SAY *Jesus, thank You for being more powerful than sickness and death. Help us to trust You to save us from our sins so that we can be forgiven and live with You forever. Amen.*

ACTIVITIES

(CHOOSE AS FEW AS ONE ACTIVITY OR USE ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES)

PLAY A GAME: GUESS WHO?

Invite preschoolers to sit on the floor and form a circle. Designate a child to sit in the middle of the circle. Guide the child in the circle to bow his head and close or cover his eyes. Quietly designate another child sitting in the circle, to stand and gently touch a shoulder of the child sitting in the middle of the circle. When the other child sits back in his spot in the circle, prompt the child in the middle to open his eyes and to guess who touched his shoulder. Repeat the activity and play until each child has had a turn.

SAY *Was it easy or hard to know who touched your shoulder? In the Bible story, Jesus was teaching a large crowd of people. A woman reached out and touched Jesus' clothes because she believed He could heal her. Suddenly, she was healed. Jesus showed His power to heal and to give life. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to save people from sin and death.*

GET UP GAME

Guide all preschoolers except one to lay down in a circle. Encourage the remaining preschooler to walk around the circle, touching each person on the shoulder, one at a time. When she chooses, she will touch another preschooler's shoulder and say, "Little girl (or boy) get up." That child will get up and walk around the circle behind the child who touched her shoulder. The first child will lay down where the second child was laying. Continue the game as time allows, giving each child a turn.

SAY *When a friend touched your shoulder and said, 'Get up.' You got up and walked. That reminds me of today's Bible story. Jairus asked Jesus to come touch his daughter so she would be healed and live. While Jesus was talking to the woman He had healed, some men came from Jairus' house. 'Your daughter has died,' they said. Jesus told Jairus, 'Do not be afraid. Just believe.' Jesus went to Jairus' house. Jesus took Jairus and his wife into the room where the child was. He held the girl's hand and said, 'Little girl, get up.' The girl got up and began walking around. Jairus and his wife were amazed!*

COLOR THE ACTIVITY PAGE (please send this home with parents)

Lead preschoolers to complete the **activity page**. As they work, review the Christ Connection.

SAY *Jesus showed His power to heal and give life. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to save people from sin and death.*

OPTIONAL TEACHING OUTLINE

Open your Bible to Matthew 9, Mark 5, or Luke 8. Show the video or tell the Bible story using the provided storytelling tips. Use the bold version of the Bible story for young preschoolers.

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STORYTELLING TIPS

Make a happy or sad face: Encourage preschoolers to make happy or sad faces to show the varying emotions the people felt in today's Bible story.

Take a journey: Guide preschoolers to sit on opposite sides of the room with a path in the middle. Start telling the story on one side of the room, and travel across to the other side as you tell the story.

One day, Jesus was teaching people by the sea. A large crowd gathered around Him. Suddenly, a man named Jairus (JIGH ruhs)—who was a ruler in the synagogue—fell at Jesus' feet. Jairus begged Jesus to help him.

"My daughter is very sick," Jairus said. "Please come touch her so she will be healed and live." Jesus went with Jairus, and the crowd followed.

A woman in the crowd needed Jesus' help, too. She had been bleeding for many years, but no doctors could help her. The woman believed Jesus could heal her, so she reached out and touched His clothes. All of a sudden, the woman's bleeding stopped. She was healed!

Jesus turned around. "Who touched My clothes?" He asked. The woman came forward and fell before Jesus. She told Him what had happened.

Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace. You are healed."

While Jesus was talking to the woman, some men came from Jairus' house. "Your daughter has died," they said. "Leave Jesus alone."

Jesus heard this news and told Jairus, "Do not be afraid. Just believe."

Jesus went to Jairus' house. People there were crying loudly. "Why are you crying?" Jesus asked. "The child is not dead. She is sleeping."

The people laughed at Jesus because they thought He was wrong. Jesus took

Jairus and his wife into the room where the child was. He held the girl's hand and said, "Little girl, get up."

The girl got up and began walking around. Jairus and his wife were amazed! Jesus told them to give the girl some food and to not tell anyone what had happened.

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DISMISS PRESCHOOLERS

- Release preschoolers to parents by matching up the number on the child's sticker with the guardian receipt.
- Give parents today's activity page to reinforce today's Bible story and Christ connection throughout the week.
- Tell parents something that their child enjoyed doing or did well during the session.

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BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Is Jesus God or a person? Jesus is both God and a person.

KEY PASSAGE PHRASE: Jesus is God's Son. John 1:18

LEARN

(CIRCLE TIME ON THE RUG)

1. INTRODUCTORY GROUP TIME ACTIVITY: REMEMBER THE TIME

Ask the toddlers if they remember a time when they were sick or got hurt. Allow toddlers to share how it felt, how they got hurt, and what they did to feel better. Explain that when we are hurt, we can pray and Jesus will hear us because He is God's Son.

SAY *In our Bible story, we learned how Jesus healed several people from their sicknesses. Just like Jesus made you feel better when you were sick, Jesus healed the people in our Bible story. Can Jesus give people life? Yes! Jesus can heal and give people life.*

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3. LEARN AND PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE PHRASE

Place the key passage phrase marker at John 1:18. Invite a child to open your Bible to the marker. Invite children to say the key passage phrase with a quiet voice and then again with a loud voice. Repeat several times.

ACTIVITIES

CONTAIN FEARS

Ask the toddlers what things they are afraid of. Use **markers** to write their responses on separate **craft sticks**. Write at least one response per toddler. Scatter the sticks around the room. Invite each child to gather a stick and put it in a **paper bag**. Ask the toddlers who can help them when they are afraid. Guide the toddlers to say, "Jesus!" Review the Bible story.

SAY *When you are afraid, Jesus can help you. Jesus told the people not to be afraid and to believe. We can believe that Jesus will help us in our time of need.*

COLOR THE ACTIVITY PAGE *(please send this home with parents)*

Lead preschoolers to complete the **activity page**. As they work, continue talking about the Bible story and emphasize the Christ connection.

SAY *Who is Jesus? Yes! Jesus is God's Son. Who can forgive us of our sins? Yes! Jesus. Jesus can forgive your sins just like He forgave the man.*

OPTIONAL TEACHING OUTLINE:

SAY A man went to Jesus and asked for help. "My daughter is sick," he said. "Please heal her so she can live." Jesus went with the man, and a big crowd went too. A woman in the crowd was sick. She reached out and touched Jesus' robe. Suddenly, she wasn't sick anymore! Jesus turned and said to her, "Your faith has saved you." Then some people came and said the man's daughter had died. Jesus said, "Do not be afraid. Just

believe.” Jesus went to the little girl, held her hand, and said, “Little girl, get up.” She got up and walked around. She was alive again!

Check diapers and release toddlers to parents according to security procedures. Give parents today’s activity page to reinforce today’s Bible story and Christ connection throughout the week.