UNIT 1. SESSION 1 / Jesus Healed a Paralyzed Man

UNIT VERSE

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. JOHN 3:16 (NIV)

Among the Crowd

Find the letters hidden in the crowd. Then arrange them to fill in the blanks and reveal a message.

Jesus can heal people because



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MIRACLES

unusual events that only God can cause to happen; sometimes referred to as signs or wonders

Choose a Scripture reference, read it, and then answer the

Matthew 14:22-33

Mark 5:35-42 Luke 5:1-11 Luke 17:11-19

questions.

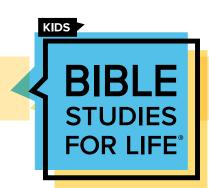
What happened that anyone could have done?

What happened that showed a powerful, unusual action?

How could someone try to "explain away" this action?

Did this action seem to show that Jesus is the Son of God?

Do you believe this action should be called a miracle?



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CONVERSATION

Jesus Healed a Paralyzed Man

MARK 2:1-12

People came from everywhere to see
Jesus. When the news spread that He
was in Capernaum, they hurried to the
house where He was speaking. So many
people crowded into the house to hear
Jesus teach, there was no more room—
not even in the doorway!

The large crowd did not keep four men from Jesus. Their friend could not walk, so the men carried him on a mat. Since there was no way to go through the

doorway, they gently carried their friend to the roof of the house. They dug through the roof until they made an opening. Then carefully, they lowered the mat with their friend to Jesus.

Jesus saw that the men had great faith in Him. He looked at the man on the mat and said, "Your sins are forgiven."

Some of the scribes (teachers of the law) were upset by what Jesus had said. They thought, *Why did Jesus say that? Only God can forgive sins!*

Right away, Jesus knew what the scribes were thinking. He said, "Why are you thinking those things? Is it easier for Me to say, 'Your sins are forgiven' or to say, 'Get up, pick up your mat, and walk'?"

Jesus showed His power on earth to forgive sins. He turned back to the man on the mat and said, "Get up, pick up your mat, and go home."

Immediately, the man stood up! He picked up his mat and walked out of the house in front of everyone. The people were amazed! They praised God and said, "We have never seen anything like this!"

WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: Matthew 9:35

LIFE POINT: Jesus could do miracles because He is God's Son.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Today your child heard that Jesus could do miracles because He is God's Son. Jesus healed a paralyzed man when four friends dug a hole in the roof and lowered him down. People were amazed at what Jesus could do.



Review the Bible story.

Together read Acts 2:22 and Matthew 10:1. Talk about how these verses show that Jesus works through the power of God.



Jesus performed miracles through the power of God.



DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: Matthew 9:35 Monday: John 2:11 Tuesday: Luke 18:27

Wednesday: Jeremiah 32:27

Thursday: Acts 2:22 Friday: Hebrews 2:4 Saturday: John 21:25



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