

When finished with activities, return all necessary items to bag and place in the hallway for pick-up.

Program A-1

CRIPPLED WOMAN STANDS STRAIGHT

Luke 13:10-17

Life of Jesus 1 Series: Lesson #9

Bible Verse: Help one another. Galatians 5:13.

Past Verses: Jesus loves us. Rev. 1:5

Nothing is impossible with God. Luke 1:37

Teach others about Jesus. Matthew 28:20

Jesus said, "Quiet, be still." Mark 4:39

Jesus made sick people well. Luke 4:40

A friend loves at all times. Proverbs 17:17

Jesus said, "Come follow me." Matthew 4:19

Jesus grew. Luke 2:40

Bible Story for children:

Focus on: We should help others in need, just as Jesus did.

Prop ideas: Doll or puppet that can bend.

Come dressed as a hunched back crippled woman.

SAMPLE STORY

Storytellers:

Tell from the perspective of the cripple woman. Come in bent over. Place a pillow under your shirt or cape for added effect. Exaggerate the inability to look straight ahead by talking down to the floor.

I have a wonderful story to tell you. It is hard to believe, but you must, for it is true. I had been bent over like this for 18 long years. It is hard to do your chores when your back is always bent over. You can't look people in the eye. I never could get a good look at anything, except the ground. As usual, I went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day. I would go to learn and worship. Sort of like how you come to church every Sunday!

On this particular day, there was a man named Jesus teaching everyone. Imagine my surprise when he called me over to him. I didn't think anyone ever paid any attention to me. Most folks ignored the cripples like myself. I walked forward to him and then he said, "You are set free from your handicap." He placed his hands on me and immediately I could stand straight! *[Jump up and stand straight. Let pillow fall down.]* I was so very happy to be standing straight after 18 years of being bent over. I just started praising God for being set free!

But, not everyone was happy. The ruler at the Synagogue was upset. He told Jesus, “There are six days for work. You should heal on those days, not on the Sabbath.” But Jesus replied, “Don’t you people untie your ox or donkey and lead it to water to drink? I was helping this woman, who is more important than animals, just like you help your animals.” The people were delighted with the things Jesus was doing. I was thrilled that Jesus helped me on the Sabbath. God is happy, too, when we help others on the Sabbath (Sunday). Our Bible verse today teaches: “Help one another.” Galatians 5:13

Another Option

Younger Children: Part A

Older Children: Parts A & B

Part A

On a Sabbath day Jesus was teaching in one of the Synagogues. (It is like our church). A woman was there who had been crippled for 18 years! She was bent over and could not stand straight. Can you imagine being bent over for 18 years!

When Jesus saw her, he called her over. He said, “You are set free from your handicap.” He placed his hands on her and immediately she straightened up. She praised God for being healed. She was so very happy to be standing straight after 18 years of being bent over.

Part B

The ruler at the Synagogue was upset. He told Jesus, “There are six days for work. You should heal on those days, not on the Sabbath.” But Jesus replied, “Don’t you people untie your ox or donkey and lead it to water to drink? I was helping this woman, who is more important than animals, just like you help your animals.” The people were delighted with the things Jesus was doing. God is happy, too, when we help others on the Sabbath (Sunday). Let’s say our Bible verse together: “Help one another.” Galatians 5:13

FYI

Second Session Classes will be:

Playing Basketball

Building with Blocks

Playing Follow-the –Leader Hunchback Style

DOCTOR KIT PLAY

Materials: Doctor Kits

Do: Let the children *doctor* you or dolls to make you feel better.

Talk about: Our Bible verse tells us that we should “Help one another.” (Gal. 5:13) How can we help those who are sick?

BE SURE TO RETURN ALL ITEMS TO THE DOCTOR KIT AFTER USE.

ACTION SONGS & PRAISE

TEACHER EXTRA: Bring a Children's CD to help with the singing.

Materials: None

Do: Choose some of the following songs. Get the wiggles out with an action song before settling down for praise songs.

Talk about: We can thank God for our bodies and that we are healthy. The Bible tells us that the crippled woman praised God after Jesus healed her. "She straightened up and praised God." (Luke 13:13)

Additional songs: The Ants Go Marching, Hokey Pokey, When the Saints Go Marching In

Jesus Said Come Follow Me

To the tune of London Bridge

Jesus said "Come follow me,
follow me, follow me."

Jesus said "Come follow me,
catching me-en."

Jesus taught about God's word,
'bout God's word, 'bout God's
word.

Jesus taught about God's word.
Yes he di-id.

Jesus healed the lame and sick
Lame and sick, lame and sick
Jesus healed the lame and sick
He made them whole.

*You can make a bridge and 'catch
people' as you do with London Bridge.*

Ring Around the Rosy

Ring around the rosy,
Pocket full of posy,
Ashes, ashes we all fall down!

Oh, How I Love Jesus

Oh, how I love Jesus
Oh, how I love Jesus
Oh, how I love Jesus
Because he first loved me

Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes

Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes
Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes
Eyes and ears and mouth and nose
Head, shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes

Point to body part as it is sung.

*- On the next verse, hum 'head' but still point to it. - On
third verse, hum 'head' & 'shoulders' while still pointing to
them. Continue until you are humming everything. Go faster
with each verse.*

The Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the bus go round and round,
Round and round, round and round.
The wheels on the bus go round and round,
All through the town!
The wipers on the bus go swish, swish, swish...
The doors on the bus go open and shut...
The people on the bus go up and down...
The driver on the bus says 'Move to the back'

Do motions to match the words.

Jesus Loves Me

Jesus loves me, this I know
For the Bible tells me so
Little ones to him belong
They are weak, but he is strong

Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
The Bible tells me so

GOD IS SO GOOD

God is so good (3X)
He's so good to me

He loves me so (3X)
He's so good to me

He answers prayer (3X)
He's so good to me

COLORING PAGES BOOK

Materials: Coloring Pages
Bible Verse Stickers
Yarn, 12" pieces
Hole-punch (In room)
Crayons/markers (In room)

Do: Give children one of each coloring page.
They may color the pages before you assemble or after.
Punch two holes along the side no more than 4" apart.
Thread the yarn through the holes and tie in place.
Add Bible verse sticker to the front page.

Talk about: Jesus helped the crippled woman. When he healed her, she was able to stand straight. How can you help others? Can you do what the children in the pictures are doing?