

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

Program B-1

Peter Heals a Lame Man

Acts 3:1-9, 4:8-12, 18-21

Peter Series: Lesson #3

Bible Verse: We must obey God rather than men. Acts 5:29

Past Verses: Jesus said, "I am with you always." Matthew 28:20
Jesus loves me. Revelation 1:5

Bible Story for children:

Focus on: Love and be kind to others. Follow Jesus, not the World.

Prop ideas: Crutches, wheelchair, walker or cane

Blanket, rag clothes and cup or basket (to collect money)

For added effect, have friends bring you in a wheelchair or wagon. They can lay out your blanket and help you down for your day of begging. "Alms for the poor!"

Sing "Trust and Obey"

SAMPLE STORY

*You can tell this story from the beggar's perspective if you want. Or you can pretend to be a beggar, any beggar. **"Alms for the poor! Help out a poor crippled man/woman. Spare change, please."** Then say, **"I am not really a beggar. But I have a wonderful story about a beggar. It is a true story because it comes from the Bible."***

This happened after Jesus had returned to heaven. It was also after the Holy Spirit came as well. Remember how the Holy Spirit came like a rushing wind and 'tongues of fire' appeared over the heads of the followers of Jesus? Well, the Holy Spirit was still with the followers. The Holy Spirit never leaves you once he comes to you.

Peter and John, still filled with God's Spirit, were going to the Temple one afternoon to pray. There was a cripple man who was carried and left outside the Temple gate called Beautiful. He was left there to beg for money from the people coming to worship God. He asked Peter and John for money. Peter and John looked straight at him. Peter said, "Look at us. I do not have silver or gold. But what I do have, I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ or Nazareth, walk." Peter took the man by the hand and helped him up. Immediately the man's

ankles became strong. He went into the Temple with them. He was jumping and praising God.

Everyone was amazed that this man was able to walk again. Peter used this opportunity to tell everyone that the man was healed because of Jesus. He told them that they should love and follow Jesus. But, there were some people who were not happy to hear this. They did not like Jesus when he was on earth and they did not want his followers healing people in the name of Jesus. These religious leaders told Peter and John to stop talking about Jesus and healing in his name. Peter told them that he would not stop. "We must obey God rather than men." Acts 5:29. Because Peter and John obeyed God, we know about Jesus today. We should also follow today's Bible verse. We should obey God at all times, even if others tell us not to.

FYI

Second Session Classes will be:

Coloring Peter Heals a Lame Man Page

Playing a Coin Toss Game

Playing with a Doctor Kit

GET WELL CARDS

Materials: White Construction Paper
Flower Cutouts
Shape Cutouts
Crayons (In room)
Glue (In room)

Do: Fold white construction paper in half to make a card.
Write 'Get Well' on the front. Write 'Love, Joyland Children' in the inside.
Help the children glue on a flower. Arrange and glue colored shapes to make more flowers or other designs. (Trees, sun, animals)
Let those who can, write their names on the inside of as many cards as they want. (Everyone can sign every card if they want). Guide those who need help.
Return these to the bag. Miss Pennie and other ministers will hand these out on their hospital visits.

Talk about: Our ministers here at church visit people who are sick and in the hospital. These cards will help some people feel much better.

Peter made a man feel better by healing him. He could not walk. He asked Peter for money to help him. Peter gave him something even better...He healed the man in the name of Jesus our Savior!

COIN RUBBINGS

Materials: Coins
Paper
Crayons (In room)
Pencils

Do: Show the children how to make coin rubbings.
Place the coin under the paper and rub the side of a crayon over it.
(You can also use a pencil).
Move the coin and do it many more times.
Find other flat, but textured objects to use. (Leaves, stencils,
textured blocks, paper clip, rubber band)

Talk about: Peter told a beggar that he did not have silver or gold to give him.
He gave him something worth far more, the ability to walk. The
man jumped up and praised God.

TIP: You may want to try to tape the items to the table and move the
paper around as you make more rubbings.

TEACHER EXTRA: Bring some Silver or Gold Dollar Coins. Bring
other items from home for unique rubbings. (Jewelry, embossed
paper) You can cut shapes out of sandpaper or bring stencils.

PUZZLES

Materials: Puzzles (In room)

Do: Sit on the floor to work puzzles together.

Talk about: The beggar man had to sit on the ground because he could not walk.
It is nice to sit on the floor sometimes, but how would it feel to
always be down here and never be able to get up?