



**Mustard Seed Children's Summary for July 13, 2008
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"Jesus Healed"

MEMORY VERSE: —"He healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils" (Mark 1:34).

SCRIPTURE LESSON TEXT: Mark 1:29–45

29 And forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue, they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

30 But Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever; and anon they tell him of her.

31 And he came and took her by the hand, and lifted her up; and immediately the fever left her, and she ministered unto them.

32 And at even, when the sun did set, they brought unto him all that were diseased, and them that were possessed with devils.

33 And all the city was gathered together at the door.

34 And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and suffered not the devils to speak, because they knew him.

35 And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed.

36 And Simon and they that were with him followed after him.

37 And when they had found him, they said unto him, All men seek for thee.

38 And he said unto them, Let us go into the next towns, that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth.

39 And he preached in their synagogues throughout all Galilee, and cast out devils.

40 And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

41 And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean.

42 And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed.

43 And he straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away;

44 And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man: but go thy way, show thyself to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing those things which Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

45 But he went out, and began to publish it much, and to blaze abroad the matter, insomuch that Jesus could no more openly enter into the city, but was without in desert places: and they came to him from every quarter.

TEACHER'S NOTES ON THE LESSON

As we stood where Jesus gave the Beatitudes overlooking the Sea of Galilee, our guide told us that most of Jesus' ministry took place right there in a

one-square-mile area. In the distance we viewed Capernaum and the synagogue where Jesus most likely taught.

From this city Jesus traveled to near-by areas, preaching and healing. With authority and power He demonstrated that He was the Son of God.

Often Jesus went to pray apart from the multitudes who followed Him. Spend much time in prayer for your students as you teach God's Word.

Many times Jesus cast out demons. If the children question this, tell them that Satan is powerful but that God is all-powerful. We do not need to be afraid. If we love and obey God, He will keep us. He lives inside all believers (John 14:20, 23; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; Col. 1:27).

THE OBJECT IN VIEW:

Teach the children that Jesus is God. When He healed, He was doing what only God can do.

TRUTHS TO STRESS:

1. Jesus cares about our needs.
2. We can come to Jesus by faith in prayer, knowing He will help us.

PLANNING VISUAL AIDS

For Telling the Lesson, make a sample handwork from Helping to Remember. For Helping to Remember, you will need an envelope (new or used) and a half sheet of white paper for each child. You will also need crayons and safety scissors (round edge).

BEGINNING THE LESSON

Petryk is a boy who lives in Ukraine. He is only seven years old, but on his lower back is a baseball-sized lump. Because Petryk was born with spina bifida, he will never be able to walk and run.

Why is there so much sickness? Why does God let people be blind or sick or hurt? Does He care?

When Jesus lived on earth, many children and adults who were sick came to Him. What did Jesus do?

TELLING THE LESSON

One day after Jesus taught in the synagogue, He went to the house of Simon Peter. The mother of Peter's wife was very sick. She lay in bed with a high fever. (Demonstrate with your sample craft.)

When Jesus heard this, He took her hand and helped her get up. With His touch, she was healed. (Stand the woman beside the "bed.") She began to serve Jesus and the disciples right away. How could Jesus heal this woman? He is God!

The news that Jesus had healed someone traveled fast. That evening people came from all over the city, bringing sick people with many diseases. They gathered around the door of Peter's house, hoping that Jesus would heal each one. What did Jesus do?

Our golden text tells us, "He healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils" (Mark 1:34). No matter what sickness each one had, Jesus healed him. He threw out many devils, or evil spirits. He is God, so He can do anything.

It is wonderful to know that Jesus cares about people. He had taught in the synagogue earlier. At the end of that day He was tired, but He cared that people were sick and hurting. Jesus did not heal a few; He healed many.

Today doctors have learned much about our bodies. Many medicines have been discovered that help people get well or feel better. Jesus did not use medicine. He is God. He made us. Often Jesus spoke or touched people, and they were immediately well. Jesus healed them.

Jesus prayed often. Sometimes He awoke early in the morning and went alone to pray. Sometimes He prayed all night long. Even though Jesus was the Son of God, as a man He thought it was important to pray.

Is it important to pray? Yes! You should spend time praying just as Jesus did. God cares about you. He wants you to talk to Him. He will help you if you believe and trust Him to do what is best.

Jesus went to the towns around Galilee. He preached in the synagogues. Everywhere He went, the people crowded around Him. He healed the sick. He threw out demons.

A leper came to Jesus. People were afraid to be close to a leper, but Jesus was not afraid to touch him. He looked at him with love. When Jesus spoke, the leprosy immediately went away. Jesus had healed him.

TELLING HOW TO LIVE

God has not healed Petryk, but He could. He is all-powerful. God can do anything.

Sometimes God does heal people when they pray for healing. Sometimes God does not make people well. Sometimes people die from sickness or from accidents or other bad things.

The Bible says believers should always bring glory to God. If God heals us, we can glorify God by telling what He has done.

If God does not heal us, we can glorify God by showing everyone that we still love and trust Him. We do not need to be afraid of pain or sickness or death. God will help us.

When missionaries helped care for Petryk, his mother saw their love and trusted in Jesus. Because some Christians in America gave money to buy a wheelchair for Petryk, his father has become interested in learning about God. Before that, he would not listen to the gospel. Pray that Petryk's father will trust Jesus as Saviour.

HELPING TO REMEMBER

Tell students to color the front of the envelope. Cut off an inch or two of the top of the envelope. The bottom folded part that remains will be a bed. Draw, color, and cut out a picture of a woman that will fit in the envelope. As you review the lesson, put the woman just inside the envelope (bed) when she is sick. When Jesus heals her, pull her out of bed and stand her up. Encourage the students to share the lesson with someone. Place this week's visual with the others.

EXPLAINING THE MEMORY VERSE:

"He healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils" (Mark 1:34).

When Jesus lived on earth, He healed many people. No disease was too bad, and no one was too sick. Jesus cast devils out of many people who were possessed by them.

ANTICIPATING NEXT WEEK'S LESSON:

In next week's lesson we will see how Jesus showed us by example how to serve others. Please read John 3:1-20 "**Jesus, a Serving Example**" in anticipation of this lesson.

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WORD SEARCH

Jesus Healed
(Mark 1:29-45)

S I M O N F L G H K F Q E S T
C E F I W K E R X L L E K Y S
S O G P C H X V T G L E J N E
U Q M L E T X E E I S I W A I
T L E P R O S Y L R Q J D G R
M A H P A T F A P R F E Q O P
N O V C I S G W C W Y S X G D
M R R M A Q S Y R A I U W U E
V T O N L E S I R B Z S W E W
J N M T I H R P O A M K H I O
Y T O J X N M P L N T E D J L
Y W T S J Y G E G V A I T J L
F L H S L I V E D L M U L D O
D G E E S E S A E S I D M O F
R K R D J W Q D L V O F V Q S

CAST
DEVILS
FOLLOWED
JESUS
MOTHER
PRIEST
SYNAGOGUE

CLEAN
DISEASES
GALILEE
LEPROSY
PRAYED
SIMON
TESTIMONY

COMPASSION
FEVER
HEALED
MORNING
PREACH
SOLITARY
WIFE

21 of 21 words were placed into the puzzle.

Solution to Word Search

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S I M O N F + + + + + E S T
C E F I W + E + + + + E + Y S
+ O + + C + + V T + L + + N E
+ + M L + T + E E I + + + A I
+ L E P R O S Y L R + J D G R
M A H + A T + A + + + E + O P
N O + C I S G + C + Y S + G D
+ + R M A + S Y + A + U + U E
+ + O N + E + I R + + S + E W
+ N M + I + R P O A + + H + O
Y + O + + N + P + N T E + + L
+ + T + + + G + + + A I + + L
+ + H S L I V E D L + + L + O
+ + E + S E S A E S I D + O F
+ + R + + + + D + + + + + S

(Over,Down,Direction)

CAST(9,7,NW)

CLEAN(5,3,SW)

COMPASSION(1,2,SE)

DEVILS(9,13,W)

DISEASES(12,14,W)

FEVER(6,1,SE)

FOLLOWED(15,14,N)

GALILEE(7,7,NE)

HEALED(13,10,SW)

JESUS(12,5,S)

LEPROSY(2,5,E)

MORNING(1,6,SE)

MOTHER(3,10,S)

PRAYED(8,10,NE)

PREACH(8,11,NW)

PRIEST(15,6,N)

SIMON(1,1,E)

SOLITARY(15,15,NW)

SYNAGOGUE(14,1,S)

TESTIMONY(9,3,SW)

WIFE(5,2,W)