

## Jesus Heals a Crippled Man

### References

Luke 5:17-26.

### Notes for Servants

- ★ We all can be crippled by sin to the degree that we do not realize we are in sin at all and we need someone to take us to Jesus to heal us.
- ★ As servants and friends we should take our crippled friends to Jesus to heal them. If we cannot take them physically, we should take them in our prayers.
- ★ You should pray for your family members, your friends, your Sunday School children and especially your enemies.

### Objectives

**General:** God's love and His care for us.

**Specific:**

The children will be able to ...

- A. Tell that Jesus has the power to do miracles to help us.
- B. Learn that we should pray for the sick.
- C. Know that Jesus forgives us our sins.

### Bible Verse

**“Thy sins are forgiven thee.”**

(Luke 5:20)

### Teaching Aids

1. Felt figures.
  2. You may use a small net and some plastic fishes.
  3. Act like fishermen: lay down the net and catch fish.
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### Introduction

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.
- (3) Teacher should prepare the appropriate questions to emphasize the objectives during the lesson.

## Story Time

Some teachers of the Scriptures and some men who strictly obeyed all the rules of their religion had heard about Jesus and came to listen to him. They came from every town in Galilee and Judea and from the city of Jerusalem. They were sitting and listening to Jesus teach, and God gave him the power to heal sick people.

Some men came, carrying a crippled man on a cot. They tried to take him into the house in order to bring him to Jesus, but they could not get through the crowd. So they carried him up on the roof and made a hole there by taking away some of the tiles. Then they let him down on his cot into the crowd of people in front of Jesus. When Jesus saw how much faith they had, he said to the man, "My friend, your sins are forgiven."

The teachers of the Scriptures and those who strictly obeyed the rules of their religion began to say to themselves, "Who does this man think he is? Only God can forgive sins. This man has done a terrible thing. He claims to be equal with God."

Jesus knew what they were thinking, and so he said to them, "Why do you think such things? Is it easier for me to say, 'Your sins are forgiven' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? I will now prove to you that God's Chosen Man has the right to forgive people who sin." So he said to the crippled man, "Get up! Pick up your cot and go home!"

At once the man got up while everyone was looking on. He picked up his cot and went home, praising God. The people who saw Jesus heal the man were completely amazed, and they were also very much

afraid. They said, "Praise God! We have seen wonderful things happen today!"

### Discussion

- 1 - Follow up the story by talking about it with the children.
- 2 - Continue the discussion while they do the activity.

### Learning Activities

Colouring Picture