

Lesson No. (26)

Jesus Heals a Blind Man - Bethsaida

References

St. Mark 8:22-26.

Interpretation of the Gospel of St. Mark, translated by Rev. Marcos Daoud.

Contemplations and studies of the Gospel of St. Mark. The Virgin's Church Fagala.

Notes for Servants

- ★ Jesus Christ is the true light that enlightens every man. He said, "I am the light of the world, he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." Let us follow Him with our hearts so that He might enlighten our way and insight.
- ★ Let us repeat David's words, "Open my eyes that I may behold wondrous things out thy law." May the Lord give us that simple eye with which we can contemplate the Lord's commandments all the time.

Objectives

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

Specific:

The children will be able to ...

- A. Believe that God has the power to heal our illness.
- B. Know the difference between God's healing and visiting a doctor.
- C. Feel the difference in prayers with and without faith.

Bible Verse

**"I am the Light of the world:
he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness. "**

(John 8:12)

Teaching Aids

None.

Instruction

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

Story Time

Jesus used to walk everywhere healing sick people and teaching people. He was once inside the ship with His disciples and they sailed to the village of Bethsaida. The Lord Jesus and His disciples left the ship. The Lord Jesus was teaching people in the city. They brought Him a blind man and requested Him to touch him. The Lord Jesus led the man outside the village. The Lord talked about the Kingdom of God and about his life.

"And they came to Bethsaida and some people brought to him a blind man, and begged Him to touch him. And he took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the village, and when He had spat on his eyes and laid His hands upon him, He asked him, "Do you see anything?" And he looked up and said, "I see men, but they look like trees walking." Then again He laid His hands upon his eyes, and he looked intently and was restored and saw everything clearly, and He sent him away to his home, saying, do not even enter the village." (Mark 8:22-26) So the blind man could not see anything, but no sooner did the Lord spit on his eyes than the blind man opened his eyes and saw everything clearly.

The Lord Jesus Christ laid His hands once more upon the blind man's eyes, and said to him, "Look and see" and the man was healed and saw every man clearly. Then the Lord sent the man home and said to him, "Do not enter the village and do not tell anybody in the village." The man went home praising God.

Discussion

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

Learning Activities

Activity Sheet.