

Lesson No. (24)

Jesus Heals a Blind and Dumb

References:

Matthew 9, Mark 12.

Notes for Servants

- ★ Jesus taught us that the evil spirits do not go away with any way except through praying and fasting - so give us Lord that we may always possess these secret meditations to overcome the enemy of God in his fighting and temptations against us.
- ★ The mad, himself, and blind (can not see the right way) and mute (can not testify for Jesus).

Objectives

General: Jesus' authority to get out evil spirit.

Specific:

The children will be able to ...

- A. Know that Jesus has control over everything including the evil spirits.
- B. Learn that when a person give him self to the devil he can become blind, he cannot see the light of God, and dumb not being able to speak the truth.

Bible Verse

"This kind can come out by nothing except by prayer and fasting."

(Mark 9:29)

Teaching Aids

1. Felt figure and flannel board.
 2. Video.
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Instruction

- (1) Review last week's lesson.
- (2) Remind the children about the church occasions for the coming week.
- (3) Who among you saw a person with an evil spirit mad... blind mute ?
- (4) How does he look like?
- (5) Teacher should prepare the appropriate questions to emphasize the objectives during the lesson.

Story Time

To-day we are going to learn about a person who was mad, blind and mute, poor guy but Jesus the healer healed him that he spoke and received his sight. The boy's father was so sad, first because he was mad ripping his clothes, gnashes his teeth and becoming rigid, second because he was blind. The boy was also mute could not talk to anyone. It is well known that a mute is also deaf. Therefore this person was mad, blind, mute and deaf. His father heard about Jesus and the miracles He did.

The father took his son to Jesus disciples that they may heal him but the disciples could not. The man did not give up and waited until Jesus came. The father advanced and told Jesus O my Lord please heal my son, he is mad, blind and mute. I brought him to your disciples and they could not cast away the devil. Jesus calmed and sympathized him and said to his disciples, "Bring him to Me." When Jesus confronted the evil spirit, the boy began to fall on the ground and wallowed foaming at the mouth and you see when our father the priest prays for a person with an evil spirit, the priest rises the cross and the evil spirit becomes frightened and escapes from the person. Jesus asked the father : how long has been this happening to your son? He answered since a long time and often the evil spirit used to throw him into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if you can do any thing, have compassion upon us and help us.

When Jesus saw the father's faith and his desire in the healing of his son, He rebuked the uncleaned spirit saying, "You deaf and dumb spirit I order you to come out of him and enter him no more." At once the boy became as one dead so that people thought that he was dead. Jesus took him by hand and lifted him up and he arose. The disciples then asked Jesus Christ privately, "Why could we not cast him away?" He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing except by prayer and fasting and with the man's faith in God's power his son was healed."

Discussion

- 1 - Follow up the story by talking about it with the children.
- 2 - Continue the discussion while they do the activity.
- 3 - Teach the children to pray for someone who is sick.

Learning Activities

Activity Sheet.