



UNIT 22 | SESSION 4 | JUNE 27-28, 2020

Elementary Parent Guide

Jesus Healed a Man Who Was Blind

Bible Passage: John 9

Story Point: Jesus gave sight to a man who was blind.

Key Passage: “Yet he himself bore our sicknesses ...; punishment for our peace was on him, and we are healed by his wounds.” Isaiah 53:4-5

Christ Connection: Those who trust in Jesus see who He is and worship Him.

Use this guide to unpack what your kids are learning in the KidCity Online Experience. Pick an activity that works best for your family and lead your kids through the discussion questions. Check out the [Younger Kids Activity Page for K-1st](#) or the [Older Kids Activity Page for 2nd-5th](#) as an additional resource for your kids to do during the week.

Activity Option 1: What do I have?

2-3 objects from around the house, blindfold (optional)

Have the kids close their eyes or put on a blindfold and give them some various size objects from around the house. Without looking, have them try to identify what is in their hands.

SAY • Can you imagine what it would be like to not be able to see and know exactly what you are holding? Today we heard a story about a man who had no eyesight at all. What did Jesus do for the man who was blind?

Activity Option 2: What do I hear?

No Supplies Needed

Go outside with your kids and close your eyes. Now just listen.

SAY • What do you hear? What are some sounds that you never noticed before? Sometimes when we lose one of our senses, the other senses become stronger. God gave us our senses to enjoy his creation. How do you think the blind man felt when he got his sight back?

DISCUSSION

(Bible)

Open Bible to John 9. Explain the religious leaders in Jerusalem did not like Jesus. His authority challenged theirs, He had power that they didn't have, and He spent time with people they didn't like. Read aloud John 9:24-25.

SAY • **Jesus gave sight to a man who was blind.** The man had been blind since birth, and Jesus told him to go wash in the pool of Siloam in Jerusalem.

Ask the following questions. Lead the group to discuss:

Why was the man in today's Bible story born blind? *Lead kids to recall Jesus' answer to the disciples: "Neither this man nor his parents sinned. This came about so that God's works might be displayed in him." Emphasize that Jesus was saying that the man's blindness was not a consequence of their sin. Sometimes our suffering is caused by our own sin, but often suffering is the result of living in a fallen world. (1 John 1:5-6.)*

How does knowing Jesus cause us to think differently about suffering? *Guide kids to consider how the Lord is at work beyond what is happening immediately around us. Instead of feeling angry or hopeless, we can live with the hope that God is in control and will one day make all things right. Jesus took on the ultimate suffering by dying on the cross in our place so that we can endure suffering on earth and enjoy eternity with Him. (Romans 8:22-23.)*

How can you share your story to tell others about Jesus? *Remind kids that when his neighbors and the religious leaders asked the man what happened to him, he told them how Jesus had healed him. We can share how Jesus saved us and changed us. (John 9:10-11.)*

REFLECTION AND PRAYER

(Bible Story Coloring Page - 1 per kid, Crayons)

Pray as a family and as the following questions:

What does this story teach me about God?

What does this story teach me about myself?

Who can I tell about this story?

CONNECT

([Younger Kids Activity Page – K-1st](#), [Older Kids Activity Page – 2nd-5th](#))

Download the Kids Activity page and encourage your child to do it at home this week and discuss it as a family.