

This Sunday!

16th May 2020



Story: John 5 v 1-8

Theme: Jesus healing at the pool

Activity 1: Read John 5 v 1-8

Read the bible verses. If you have a kids bible why not see if it is in there too and read it!

Activity 2: Bible Video

Watch the following video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y1cykPOiMuY>.

Activity 3:



Supplies:

Rocks and Water
Plastic toy for the cleansing.

For a craft you can make "rock pools" using plates – or even by collecting stones or rocks from the garden or the beach if you live near to one. Once you have made a 'pool' try filling it with water and using it for role play to cleanse a toy

Activity 4: Bible Memory Verse



Activity 5: Worship

Use the following links for NEW Glo Kids worship videos

https://globalgeneration.co.uk/kids_online/deep-cries-out/

https://globalgeneration.co.uk/kids_online/city-on-a-hill/

https://globalgeneration.co.uk/kids_online/we-are-the-free/

Activity 6: Game

Supplies:

Blanket or towel arranged in a circle to create a pool.

Pretend to be the man at the pool – you want to get to the pool you believe will heal you, and are trying to pull yourself over (crawling). Race the other people in your house. First one to the pool is the winner – who rejoices because they have been healed.

Activity 7: Object Lesson

Supplies:
Bowl of water

Choose a child to play the lame man.

Put the bowl of water a short distance away, but far enough that they cannot reach it.

Explain that IF the water moves, they must somehow get to the bowl and put his hand in the water before the water is still again.

But they cannot use their legs.

Gently shake the bowl. Allow the child to attempt to get to you. Make sure the water is still quickly.

So sorry!! You can't seem to reach the water before it is still again! I guess you won't get healed this time. Let's see what Jesus did.

{Have the 'lame man' stay where he is.}

Jesus left Cana and went back to Jerusalem for a feast. While there, Jesus went near the pool of Bethesda. **John tells us that if the waters were stirred up**, then the first person into the pool would be healed. Therefore, many people with different ailments would sit for long periods of time waiting for the waters to be stirred. Jesus walked by the pool and noticed a lame man. He had been lame for 38 years. Jesus asked the man, "*Do you want to be healed?*" The man responded that yes, he did want to be healed, but that no one would help him into the pool when it stirred. Someone would always get there ahead of him. Jesus replied, "*Take up your bed and walk.*" The man did just as Jesus said.

{Choose someone to be Jesus and ask the question of the lame man. Guide the children through the dialogue so everyone hears the words again. Have the lame man pretend to roll up his bed. Ask:}

What do you think the lame man was feeling after being healed? [Allow for answers.] This happened on the Sabbath and some Jewish religious leaders saw the man carrying his bed. This was against the rules of the Sabbath. Carrying something is considered work, and a good Jew did not work on the Sabbath.

Activity 8: Prayer

Pause for reflection/soaking. – listen to the song while thinking about this –

Jesus has power over disease and sickness. What is amazing about this event is that the lame man did not ask for healing. We don't even know if he believed in Jesus or knew who He was. But Jesus healed him anyway. And the bible tell us that Jesus knew the man had been lame for 38 years. Isn't nice to know that God knows everything about us.

Take time to think about someone you love and what they might need to know that God Knows about them.

Kids Blessing <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uiWZXLsdE9w>