

# Quarter 2: God the Son — Lesson 17



## Jesus Healed the Sick

# Jesus Cared for the Sick and Disabled

Today's Bible lesson is from Luke 5:12 -16 (You could show a brief video segment showing Jesus healing the leper) The Bible describes a man who needed a healing touch from Jesus because he had a horrible skin disease called leprosy. The man fell at Jesus' feet, and he asked Jesus to heal him



of his disease. The man had faith that Jesus could take away his leprosy. He said , "Lord, heal me. I know you can if you want to." (Luke 5:12)

How did Jesus respond to the man's faith and prayer? Jesus told him, *"I want to. Be healed!" (Luke 5:13)* 

Do you know what leprosy is? It is a disease that affects the skin. A person

with leprosy can easily spread the disease to other people. In Jesus' day, people with leprosy had to live far away from other people because the disease was so contagious.

On this day, a miracle was about to take place. Jesus touched the man and told him he was healed. The news of this miracle spread to many towns, and as a result, many other people started seeking Jesus and asking Him for healings for their diseases and sicknesses.

Jesus tells us that our enemy, Satan, wants to destroy us, but He also tells us the He is our answer. *"I came to give life—life in all its full-ness" (John 10:10).* 

The Bible says, "...invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed" (Luke 14:13).

Jesus approached disabled\* people with exactly the same grace as He did everyone else. He expects us to do the same. This will take more effort and more courage on our part, but "you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous" (Luke 14:14).

\*(Note: please see more on this in the lesson supplement.)

### Power Point

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#### **MEMORY VERSE:**

"...invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed." Luke 14:13

### Puppet Show: "Not THAT Good"

Have a puppet show with Taco and Leroy. (Or any two puppets) The script for the show is in the lesson supplement.

### Apply:

Explain to the kids that Taco's friend, Leroy went

through a bad time. Even though it was a funny story, it isn't funny when any of us go through times of sickness and pain with injuries.

Today's lesson will be about a man Jesus healed who had an incurable disease.

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## **Puppet Script: "Not THAT Good!"**



(This puppet script may be used with any two puppets.)	Taco: That's good.
	Leroy: Not THAT good, the lake had crocodiles in it!
<b>Taco:</b> Leroy, old friend, haven't seen you for a while. What happened?	Taco: That's bad!
Leroy: I fell out of an airplane.	Leroy: Not THAT bad, I missed the crocodiles.
Taco: Oh, that bad, man!	Taco: That's good.
Leroy: not THAT bad, I had a parachute.	Leroy: Not THAT good, I missed the lake!
Taco: That's good.	
Leroy: Not THAT good, the parachute didn't open.	
Taco: That's bad.	

#### What About the Disabled Child?

Leroy: Not THAT bad, I fell out over a lake.

Joni Eareckson Tada is an author and beloved Christian leader who is paralyzed. Here are some of her thoughts:



"I remember the panic as if it were yesterday. My first day of class in a wheelchairthe desks were too short. the narrow aisles blocked my way and every student was staring. I stopped and stared back. Would I fit under the desk? Who would place my books

in front of me? Would someone be willing to turn the pages?

I needed help to take notes. And would I even be accepted? I was scared to death.

"I was ready to turn and head the other way when the teacher confidently walked toward me with a happy smile and warm handshake. She welcomed me into the class and into a whole new adventure of learning. That teacher, with her friendly and accepting attitude, instantly set the tone not only for the rest of the students, but for me as well. Everyone, including myself, was a part of the class."

Jesus approached disabled people in the exactly the same way. In Luke 14:12-14 He makes a special point of telling leaders to broaden their ministry to the blind, the deaf and the physically disabled. Sure, it takes a little creativity, lots of courage and an extra measure of effort, but as the Lord says, *"You will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous" (Luke 14:14, NIV).* 

Remember: The church is the most logical place for barriers to be broken. Right now, the world is doing a better job of it than we. It's up to us to make the difference!





### Summary

#### **Bible Passages:**

Luke 17:11-17; Luke 14:13

### **Main Point:**

Jesus' miracles revealed His power over disease, nature, and death.

#### Discuss:

Q: What did the 10 men with leprosy ask Jesus?

Q: How did Jesus heal them?

Q: How many came back to thank Jesus?

Q: Why do you think only one came back?

Q: How can we show thankfulness to Jesus and others?

**Gospel Connection:** The birth of Jesus was good news! Jesus was no ordinary baby. He was God's Son, sent to earth from heaven. Jesus came into the world as a human to bring us life. He brought light into darkness and showed us what God is like.

### **Explore the Bible**

Read Luke 17:11-17.

Discuss what leprosy is. Highlight Jesus' healing power. Discuss why only one man returned to thank Jesus.

Have your family toss a ball or stuffed toy to someone. They say something they are thankful for and then toss the ball to another who answers. After everyone has had a chance to say what they are thankful for, emphasize the importance of being grateful.

### Journal Time

Have your child/children write answers to the following questions in their journals. (If they have no journals, consider helping them begin one.)

- What does this lesson teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this lesson teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in these passages to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in these passages to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this lesson help me to live on mission better?

## **Apply and Pray**

Encourage your family to think about times when God has blessed or helped them.

Then pray,

Thanking God and expressing their gratitude to Him. Lead them to each pray a simple prayer such as, "Thank You God, for (a specific blessing)."