

Jesus Heals A Man

Mark 1:40-45

Kindergarten and Grade 1

Large Group (Where we all meet together and introduce the lesson)

Materials needed - Stickers with the words clean or unclean written on them

- Greet all the kids as they come in. Ask them how they are doing, and chat with them about their week. Pray together, ask anyone if they have any prayer requests.

- As each of the kids come in put a sticker on their back that will either say clean or unclean.
- play a game where the kids can dance around and then when you say a number the kids need to get into groups with that number of people. (ex, if you say 3, then kids need to get into groups of 3)
- There is a twist to this game, unclean and clean people can not be mixed, so kids will have to read the words on each others back and make sure they are not mixed into the wrong groups
- After the game is over, explain that back in bible times there were people who were unclean because of various reasons, some people would get diseases and become unclean. Ask the kids who were unclean how they felt when they were excluded from different groups during the game.

- Let's watch this video together. <https://www.worshiphousekids.com/kids-church-videos/61258/the-unclean-man>

Break up into small groups

Review The Story (a chance to review the bible passage with the small group)

Materials needed -copy of the story, pieces of paper with the words, clean or unclean written on them.

- Greet everyone in your small group, make sure everyone knows each others names. Say a prayer together either by repeating after one of the teachers or just letting them pray.

Read this story to the kids - http://www.dltk-bible.com/cv/jesus_heals_the_man_with_leprosy.htm

- Every time you say the word leper or leprosy - have the kids yell out "unclean"
- Every time you say the word Jesus - have the kids yell out "Jesus makes us clean"
- When Jesus heals the man, let the kids cheer as loud as they can.

Line all the kids up on one side of the room, give each of them a piece of paper that will say clean or unclean.

- Choose one kid to be Jesus.
- Have Jesus walk in on one side of the room and line everyone up on the other. Everyone needs to go and touch Jesus. The people who are unclean need to go on their knees begging asking Jesus to make them clean, while the clean people can just run to him.
- Once the person touches Jesus, they run back to the start line where they get another piece of paper and start again, either running or crawling to Jesus.

Life Application (an opportunity for kids to apply the lesson to their own lives)

Materials needed -

- Have a conversation with the kids. Tell them about a time when you felt lonely. How did God help you?

Ask the kids if they have ever been lonely or felt all alone?

- Explain to them, that people with leprosy were all alone. They couldn't be around other people because they would get leprosy as well. That means they couldn't be near their friends or family, they were all alone. Jesus doesn't want us to be all alone, and he doesn't want us to be sick either. Jesus touched a man that no one else could touch. He had compassion on him, and healed him, so he could be around Jesus, he could be around his friends and family and he was healed.
- Pray for people who you know are all alone or lonely.

Memory Verse (a way to introduce and reinforce this months memory verse)

Materials needed - Ps

- Read through the John 3:16 with the kids
- Watch and sing along to this video together <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JbO7dMjfz4w>