



Healer – Lesson 3

Order of Service (Skit)

1) Introduction

2) Welcome & Memory Verse

Hi everybody! Are you as excited as I am to be here? My name is _____ and I was wondering how many of you remember the new memory verse that we've been learning? Okay, everyone stand up and let's say it together.

“He (point up)

forgives (one hand with palm up in front of you and the other hand cupped facing down and moving forward and back over the palm up hand)

all my sin (index fingers make hooks and make circular motion palms up).

He heals (both hands make a grabbing motion up just below the shoulders and then pull hands down and away from body)

all my sickness.” (rub tummy)

Psalm 103:3.

(Note: See ASL video online for the words “forgive,” “sin,” and “heals.”)

Let's try it one more time, and this time I'm going to be quiet. So that means you guys have to be extra loud. Can you do that? Okay, 1, 2, 3, go!
(Repeat using motions above and children say the verse.)

Wow! You guys are good. Everybody sit back down please.

We've been learning about some amazing things that Jesus did for people who were hurting. Remember the man who couldn't walk? Jesus healed him and he was able to walk again.

And last week we learned about a man whose daughter died. But Jesus brought her back to life! That was pretty amazing. Wait a second! I think I hear something. Do you guys hear that?

3) Skit

Roles: Storyteller
Zip

Props: Cast on Zip's arm

(Zip in the tree house, pretending to spit on the ground once or twice.)

Storyteller: **What are you doing, Zip? Why are you spitting on the ground? We should not spit, Zip. That is really gross and it is bad manners.**

Zip: **Well, I was riding my bike last night and I fell off and broke my arm. I didn't realize learning to ride a bike with two wheels was going to be so much harder than riding my three-wheeled bike. Crashed and burned.**

Storyteller: **Oh, no. I am so sorry. That must have hurt. But I am still not sure why you were spitting.**

Zip: **I was just trying to do what Jesus did when he healed the blind man. I was making mud, and then I figured I would rub it all over my arm and pray really hard. Then maybe God will heal my arm just like he healed the blind man.**

Storyteller: **Well, Zip, it is not okay to spit and it is against the rules in the Tree House.**

Zip: **Yeah, my parents tell me not to spit too, but Jesus...**

Storyteller: **Jesus, and only Jesus, has the power to heal and do miracles like that. If you put mud all over your arm you will only make a big mess.**

Zip: Well, I was going to wash it off, just like Jesus told the man to do. Remember, Jesus spit on the ground, made mud out of the dirt, spread the mud on a blind man's eyes and then told him to go wash it off in a pool of water? And then the man could see!

Storyteller: Well, that is all true. Jesus really did heal a blind man just like that, but that was Jesus. He came to earth to give sight to the blind and heal the brokenhearted. You don't have that power, and didn't the doctors tell you to stay out of the water with your cast on?

Zip: Oh, yeah. What am I going to do, then? I have a soccer game tomorrow and I am the goalie. The doctor said I couldn't play soccer with my cast on, but my team is counting on me.

Storyteller: Well, remember what you were going to do after you put the mud on your arm?

Zip: Wash it off?

Storyteller: Not that. You told me you were going to pray really hard and maybe God would heal you. Remember?

Zip: Oh yeah! Do you think that I can just pray and ask God to heal me and BAM... I will be healed?

Storyteller: Well, that can happen. God does still heal people so the power of God can be seen. However, sometimes healing takes time, and sometimes God helps us learn or teach others things through the hard times in our lives.

Zip: This is a really hard time. I don't like this cast at all, but I do have a friend who cannot walk like I can. He is in a wheelchair, but he can play basketball and do so many things. He says it is because he prays for God's strength every day and in everything he does.

Storyteller: That's exactly it. Let's pray for God to heal your arm, and whether it heals right away or takes a few weeks, you can remember, like your friend does, to get your strength from God and let his power show through your life.

Zip: That sounds great! God is so amazing. I am so thankful. He loves me so much that he cares about my arm more than I do and he can use my broken arm for good! Thanks, (storyteller's name); I thought it was all bad until you reminded me of God's power.

4) Songs

How amazing is Jesus? He healed a man who was blind and made it so that the man could see! And he still has the power to heal us when we pray to him! I think that calls for some praise – don't you think so?

Let's all stand up and sing praises to God.

5) Prayer & Closing

Thanks for singing, guys! Everybody sit back down.

When I hear a story like we did today, it makes me feel very special that I can see and I can walk and I can hear. God has taken very good care of me and I think that we should say thank you – don't you? So let's pray and then we'll go back to our classes.

Dear God, thank you for taking such good care of us. Thank you for letting us talk to you whenever we are sad or scared. Please help us to remember that you can do anything and we can trust in you. Amen.



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