



Grace Church Preschool

Tree House

Healer - Family Lesson 5

Divine Attribute: God is Healer

Heart Response: Pray to him

Memory Verse: Psalm 103:3 “He forgives all my sin. He heals all my sickness.”

Points of Emphasis:

1. Jesus healed many people from sin and sickness.
2. We can trust and believe that God has the power to heal.
3. We can pray to God and ask him to heal us.
4. God forgives our sin when we ask and believe.

Family Worship

Gather your family and play the [worship video](#) found on the curriculum resource page! Have fun, sing loud, and follow along with the motions!

Memory Verse

Supplies:

[Memory verse video](#)

Optional printed memory verse poster

Practice the memory verse with your kids! Make it fun, do motions, make a song, or even make it a game to memorize the verse!

Bible Lesson

***Note to - the lesson is written to be read like a story. Read the bold words aloud. The words in parenthesis give direction to pause, allow for response, or read Scripture.*

Supplies:

Bible (John 11:17-44)

We have a new lesson this week. As you may remember, we’ve been talking about how God is our healer. Do you remember what a ‘miracle’ is? (Allow your child to answer.) **That’s right. A miracle is an amazing thing that only God can do. Can you tell me some miracles that Jesus**

does to heal people that we’ve learned about in the last few weeks? (Made a paralyzed man walk, healed Jairus’ dying daughter, helped a blind man see, healed a group of lepers.) **Today, we’re going to talk about another miracle that Jesus does to show his power.**

Our Bible story today is from John 11. (Open the Bible to John 11: 17.)

Do you know that Jesus has some friends named Mary and Martha? They have a brother named Lazarus. Lazarus is a very dear friend of Jesus, but one day he gets very, very sick. When he gets sick, how do you think Mary and Martha feel? (Sad, worried that he wouldn’t get better)

They want him to get better, so they send a message to Jesus. Why do you think they send a message to Jesus? (They knew that Jesus could heal Lazarus.)

Do you think that Jesus comes immediately after getting the message that Lazarus is very, very sick? (Allow your child to guess.)

No, he actually doesn’t. Even though he loves Mary, Martha, and Lazarus a lot, he waits a few more days before going to see them. When Jesus hears that Lazarus is sick, he says, “This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God’s glory. God’s Son will receive glory because of it.”

By the time Jesus gets to where Mary and Martha live, Lazarus has already died. How do you think Mary and Martha feel now? (Sad, upset that Jesus hadn’t come earlier to heal him while he was still alive.)

Mary and Martha each go out to meet Jesus. Martha says to him, “Lord, if you had been here, Lazarus would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask.”

Mary and Martha know that Jesus is healer and could have kept Lazarus alive. They had faith and trusted in Jesus that he could do anything. But, now they were wondering why Jesus didn’t keep Lazarus from dying, and heal him while he was sick, like Jesus healed other people.

Jesus says to Martha, “Your brother will rise again. I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live forever even after dying on earth. Do you believe this?”

“Yes Lord,” she tells him, “I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who has come into the world.”

Jesus goes to the tomb where Lazarus was and he tells the people, “Take away the stone.”

Martha says, “But Lord, by this time there will be a bad smell. Lazarus has been dead in the tomb for four days.”

Then Jesus says to her, “Didn’t I tell you that if you believe you would see God’s glory?”

So, they open the tomb by rolling the stone away. (Look up, as you continue.) Then, Jesus looks up and says, “Father, I thank you for hearing me. You always hear me, but I said this aloud so the people standing here will believe that you sent me.”

Then Jesus says in a LOUD voice, “Lazarus, come out!”

What do you think happens? (Allow your child to answer.) That’s right! Lazarus comes walking out with strips of linen around his hands and feet and a cloth around his face! Jesus has

raised Lazarus from death back to life. It is another miracle!

Once again, Jesus shows his disciples that he is all-powerful, and he is in control of everything. Jesus can give life because Jesus is God! Jesus gives us life, too! We can trust Jesus to take care of us because he is our healer.

Prayer

Thank you, Father, that you are healer. Help us to have faith in you and pray. You are the giver of life. Thank you for dying on the cross for us and for conquering death so that we can have a new life with you. Amen.

Jesus Raises Lazarus Coloring Sheet

Supplies:

Coloring sheet (found on [Kids Resource Page](#))
crayons

While your child is coloring, consider asking them the review questions below. These questions can also be saved for conversations over dinner or while driving.

Review Questions

1. **What are the names of Jesus’ friends in the story?** (Mary, Martha, and Lazarus.)
2. **What happens to Lazarus?** (He dies.)
3. **What happens when Jesus tells Lazarus to come out of the tomb?** (Lazarus walks out, he was alive.)
4. **Who raises Lazarus from the dead?** (Jesus!)
5. **Who gives us life?** (Jesus, God.)
5. **Who can we trust to take care of us and heal us?** (Jesus!)
5. **Who can do anything?** (God; he is powerful!)

Optional Additional Activities

Thankful Hearts

Blank sheet of white paper or card stock
Crayons
Tape

Cut out a large heart. In the heart, have your child draw pictures of what they are thankful for. Explain that Jesus loves a thankful heart. In our Bible story, ten men are healed but only one man comes back and remembers to thank Jesus. We can be thankful that God heals not just our bodies but our hearts, too. When your child is done, help them roll their heart into a cone to look like a megaphone and tape it into place so the heart does not unroll. Your child can use their heart as a megaphone and say “thank you” to Jesus.

