

JESUS TEACHES AND HEALS

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He said, "Because you believe, it will be done." They could see!

Jesus told them, "Tell no one what I have done." The men didn't listen to Jesus. They told everyone about him. Then a man who was acting strangely was brought to Jesus. He had a demon making him act badly. He also could not speak. Jesus cast out the demon and the man spoke! The people were so amazed at what Jesus did.

Then Jesus went through all the cities and villages, teaching, preaching, and healing.

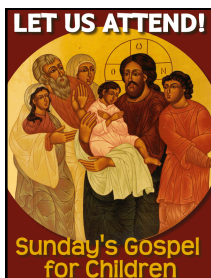


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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. Look at the icon. Can you find the two men who were blind?
2. Can you find the man who had a demon and could not speak?
3. Jesus can heal people because He is God.



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One day, our Lord Jesus Christ was walking. Two blind men began to follow Him. As they walked, the men talked loudly. They said, “Have mercy on us, Son of David!”

Jesus went in a house and the blind men followed. Jesus asked them, “Do you believe that I can heal you?”

They said, “Yes, Lord!” So He touched their eyes and said, “As much as you believe, be healed!” And their eyes were healed. They could see!

Jesus asked them not to tell who healed them. But the men were so excited! They went and told about Jesus, all around their neighborhood.

When they left, a man who couldn’t speak was brought to Jesus. Our Lord cast a demon out of the man, and he could speak. The crowds of people heard him speak and said, “We never saw anything like this before in Israel!”

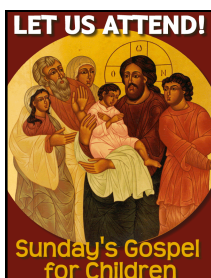
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2. Can you find the man who had a demon and could not speak?
3. Did Jesus heal these people?
4. Jesus could heal those people because He is God.
5. When people who were blind, or could not speak, were healed, it was called a miracle.
6. When a miracle happened, people really listened to Jesus.



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As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Jesus. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons."

And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the Gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity of the people.

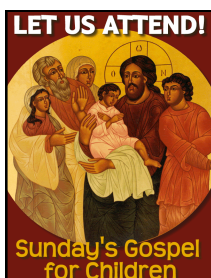


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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. In this Gospel, who followed Jesus?
2. What did they ask Him to do? Why do you think they asked in that way?
3. What did Jesus ask before He healed them?
4. Where did Jesus touch them?
5. Why were their eyes opened?
6. How can you let your eyes be opened by Christ?



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Characters: Narrator, Two blind men, Jesus, Crowds, Pharisees

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Blind Men: Have mercy on us, Son of David.

Narrator: When He entered the house, the blind men came to him; and Jesus said to them,

Jesus: Do you believe that I am able to do this?

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Narrator: Then Jesus touched their eyes, saying,

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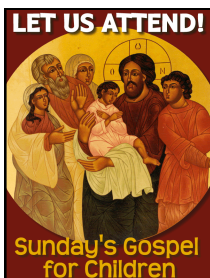
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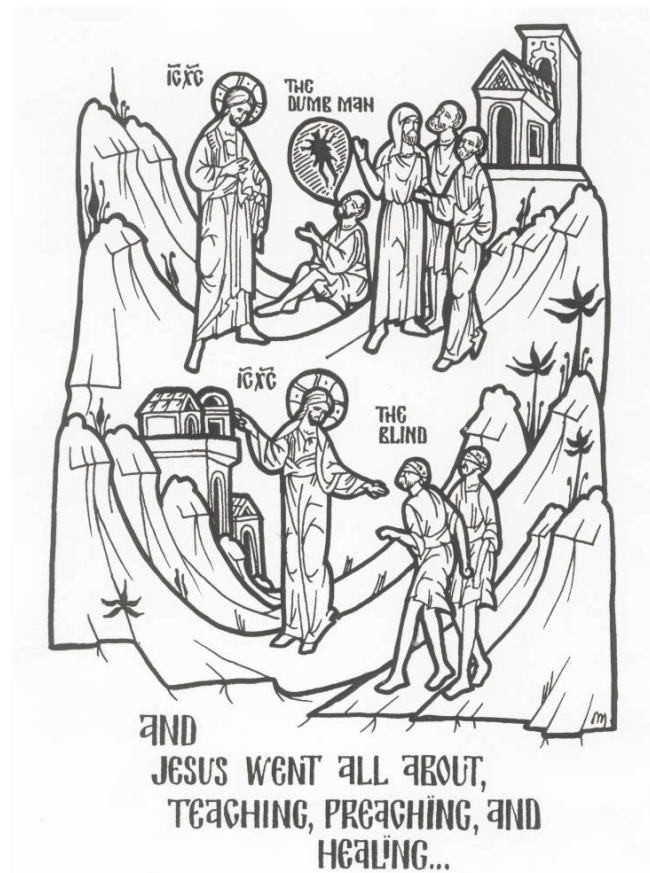


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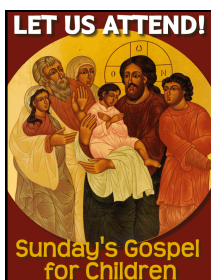
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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. How would you react if you were being followed by a group of people who were shouting at you? How would that make you feel?
2. How does Jesus respond to this scene?
3. What does this tell us about Jesus?
4. What do you think about this?
5. What can you do to imitate Jesus when you are uncomfortable or embarrassed to be around someone?
6. What is difficult about that? What is rewarding about that?



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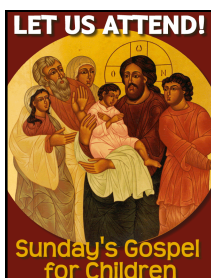
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1. What do the blind men want from Jesus?
2. What request do they make?
3. How does Jesus respond to this request? What does he ask them?
4. Why are the men's eyes opened?
5. What does that suggest about faith?
6. How does God grant our request for mercy when we pray for peace for the whole world?
7. Why does it sometimes look like he isn't granting our requests?
8. Do you believe God can and is giving us his mercy when we pray for it? Why or why not?



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