



# DOCTOR, DOCTOR

Lesson 11

### BIG IDEA

Jesus traveled the country side preaching and healing people. How might that have effected the local doctor?

### KEY VERSES

Luke 5:12-16

### MEMORY VERSE

Luke 5:31-32

“Jesus answered them, ‘It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.’”

### • PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

### BIBLE LESSON: SKIT

- Cast: doctor, patient and narrator
- No props needed for this skit

### GAME

- No materials or preparation needed for game

### CRAFT

- Experience Mission provides scissors, hole punch, stapler, staples, rulers
- Construction paper or cardstock, one per child
- Markers
- Band Aids in various shapes and sizes, several per child

### WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Coloring Sheet (1 per child)
- Photocopies of Crossword Puzzle (domestic communities only)





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BIBLE LESSON • SKIT

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Narrator: When Jesus was preaching in various towns, a man came to him who was covered with a terrible skin disease called leprosy. He begged Jesus to heal him. Jesus was willing both to touch the sick man and to heal him. "Be clean!" he said. And the man was immediately healed. Let's pretend now that the healed man lives in our time today and he has a conversation with a doctor.

Action!

(The Doctor is pacing back and forth looking worried and to the left and right of the stage. A patient enters carrying an envelope.)

Doctor: Sir, sir, good morning, good morning, come in, come in. Welcome, please have a seat, it is so nice to see you.

Patient: Huh (follows doctor and has a seat) um. . . sorry . . . good morning.

Doctor: Good morning. Now what seems to be the problem?

Patient: What problem?

Doctor: What brings you to this doctor's surgery this morning?

Patient: Surgery!?! Oh sorry. I was looking for the post office (stands to leave)

Doctor: SIT DOWN! Sorry, I mean please sit down, there must be something I can help you with.

Patient: I don't think so, I actually feel quite good.

Doctor: Are you sure? I don't mind, I can perform almost any operation. I can do it right here and now and I always charge a reasonable rate.

Patient: I am sorry, but nothing is wrong.

Doctor: Come on sir, surely something is wrong.

Patient: Well... I did get a splinter in my finger this morning.

Doctor: Excellent... (smiles and rubs hands together) amputation. Do you have any idea how long it has been since I have performed a good amputation?

Patient: Sorry Doc, but my wife has already taken the splinter out this morning with a sewing needle.

Doctor: Oh (sad) yeah. I have heard that you can also do it that way.

Patient: Do you know where the post office is?

Doctor: Yeah, it's just down the road. (half lifts his hand) Are you sure there is no history of any diseases in your family that I can check you for. You know the earlier you catch some of those the better your chances are.

Patient: Nope. Mum and dad are both pretty healthy. Although dad did have a bit of a cough last week.



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Doctor: A cough! A cough! Ooh, he better come and have that looked at, could be lung cancer you know. Does he smoke? Removing a lung isn't as hard as it sounds it can sometimes be a little difficult breathing after the operation but . . .

Patient: No doc, he doesn't smoke, he is a lama herder and he swallowed a fly and he tried to cough it out.

Doctor: No broken bones or cuts, I suppose?

Patient: Nope.

Doctor: No re-occurring illness either.

Patient: Sorry.

Doctor: Not even a cold or the flu.

Patient: Sorry, fit as a fiddle.

Doctor: I bet you have never been sick a day in your life.

Patient: Well I wouldn't say that.

Doctor: No? (excitedly)

Patient: You see, I was suffering from leprosy...

Doctor: Really? (smiles) That's an incurable disease you know, please go on.

Patient: Well, you know how it works. I had to leave my family, quit my job and go and live out of town in one of those tents.

Doctor: First thing we need to do is cut off all of the infected parts (smiles and rubs hands together).

Patient: You know the pain of leprosy is pretty bad, and it's really hard to sleep. But you get used to it. It is the isolation that really hurts. Unclean, unclean... every time anyone comes near you, people shield their eyes and run away.

Doctor: After we cut them we need to burn the rest away. If we cross our fingers after you heal from the burns you will be cured.

Patient: Oh I'm sorry Doc, I didn't mean to give the wrong impression, I am already cured.

Doctor: What!! How? An incurable disease is just that, incurable. That's impossible!

Patient: You see, I was at the colony when this guy came past . . .

Doctor: Stop, you don't need to continue, I have heard this before. Jesus, right?

Patient: Yeah, how did you know?

Doctor: Just reached out and touched you, right?

Patient: Just reached out and I was whole again.



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Doctor: You don't have to tell me. Lame people are walking again, the blind can see. No-one needs a doctor's help any more. I may as well find a different career!

Patient: Er...sorry about your business issues.

Doctor: (Curious) Was it easy to believe in him after he cured you?

Patient: Actually, I believed in him before he cured me, that's why I looked for him in the first place. The thing that was harder to believe is that he also forgives sins.

Doctor: What's in the envelope?

Patient: A letter to my mother telling her I'm coming home.

Doctor: Post office is two doors down that way.

Patient: Thank you.

Doctor: No worries.

(Patient walks off stage. Doctor exits the opposite direction.)

Narrator: After Jesus healed the man with leprosy and other sick people the Pharisees began gossip about him wondering why he hung out with sinners. Jesus answered, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Why did the man with leprosy come to Jesus?
2. Did Jesus want to heal him?
3. Jesus can heal our bodies, but there is something even more important that he can do. What is it?
4. Why should we want forgiveness of our sins?
5. How can we get forgiveness from Jesus?

### SIMPLIFIED LESSON OPTIONS

- Tell the account of Jesus healing the man with leprosy in simple story form or read from a children's bible.
- Ask 3-4 of the simpler discussion questions.



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CRAFT & GAME

• CRAFT •

**OBJECTIVE: BAND AID PEOPLE**

Illustrate the bible story or skit using band aids.

**MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM**

- Scissors, staplers, rulers, hole punches

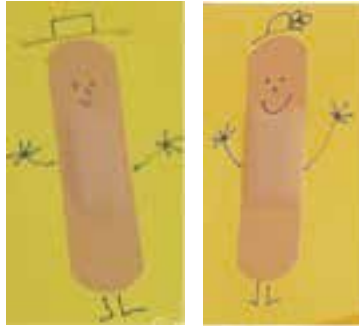
**DIRECTIONS**

- Using band aids, illustrate a part of the bible story or skit
- Use markers to draw arms, legs and faces

**MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM**

- Construction paper or cardstock, one per child
- Markers
- Band Aids in various shapes and sizes, several per child

**EXAMPLE**



• GAME •

**OBJECTIVE: BAND AID TAG**

Put on a “band aid” if you get tagged. Go to the hospital if you get tagged three times.

**MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM**

- none

**INSTRUCTIONS**

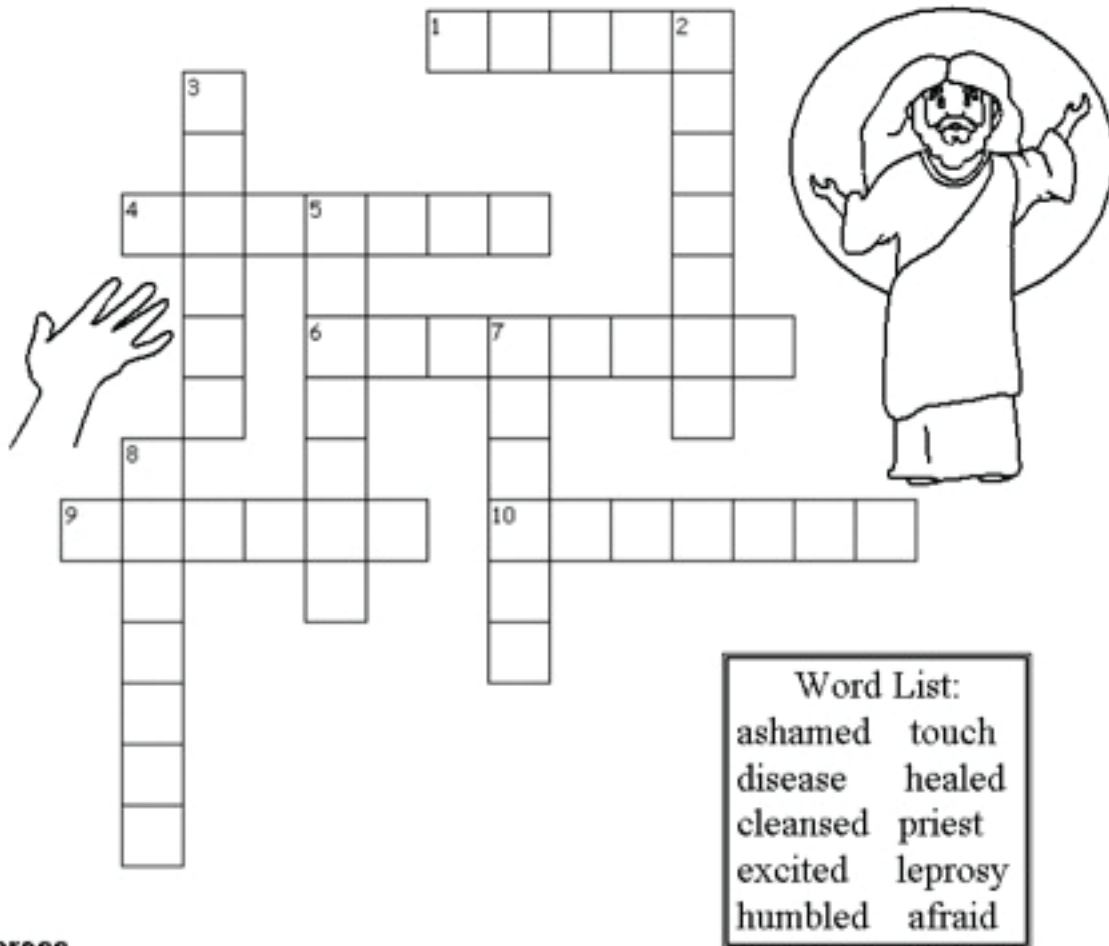
- Ask for a volunteer to be “it”.
- If a player is tagged, he must take one hand and put it directly on the place where they were tagged. The hand is a “band aid”.
- He can continue to run around and avoid being tagged but they must keep their ‘band aid’ on, now he only has one free hand.
- If he is tagged again, he must take the other hand and place it on the second spot where he tagged. He can still continue to run around with both “band aids” on.
- If he is tagged a third time, he has to go to the ‘hospital’ and do ten jumping jacks to get back in.

**SIMPLIFIED GAME OPTIONS**

- Players can be “treated” at the hospital by counting to 20 and then return to the game without any “band aids”.
- Players can go to the hospital at any time to remove any band aids. They do not have to wait until they are tagged the second or third time.



# Jesus Heals Leprosy Crossword



Word List:

ashamed	touch
disease	healed
cleansed	priest
excited	leprosy
humbled	afraid

**Across**

1. Jesus healed the man by a quick and miraculous \_\_\_\_.
4. Leprosy is a type of bacterial \_\_\_\_.
6. The man with leprosy was not only healed but \_\_\_\_ on the inside as well.
9. Jesus did this for the leper and didn't get sick himself.
10. Lepers felt this because of the disease and because others thought it was caused by sin.

**Down**

2. The man was this before Jesus when he fell at his knees.
3. The man went to this person to get permission to live among others again.
5. Jesus asked the man not to tell others of the miracle but he was to \_\_\_\_.
7. Lepers weren't allowed in the city because others were this.
8. This is a disease that can change the way people look.