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BIG IDEA

Jesus healed a man who had been born blind. Then Jesus taught about the importance of his mission of curing inner, spiritual blindness.

KEY VERSES

John 9

MEMORY VERSE

John 9:3

“Neither this man nor his parents sinned,’ said Jesus, ‘but this happened so that the works of God might be displayed in him.’”

• PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

BIBLE LESSON: SKIT

- Cast: Rapper #1, Rapper #2, Rapper #3, Pharisee and Healed Man
- Props: None for this skit
- Be sure to rehearse this rhyming skit a few times

GAME

- Bandannas or scraps of fabric for blindfolds

CRAFT

- Experience Mission provides scissors, hole punch, stapler, staples, rulers
- Copies of glasses template on cardstock, one per child
- Stickers
- Glitter
- Sticky jewels
- Other decorations
- Glue
- Tape

WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Coloring Sheet (1 per child)
- Photocopies of Word Search (1 per child)





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- *Since this script is so word-intensive and has a specific rhythm, you'll want to rehearse a few times. The rhyming words are in capital letters and should be emphasized.*
- *Position the Pharisee on the left side of the stage, the Rappers in the center, and the Healed Man on the right side of the stage.*

Rapper #1: Yo! Back in the DAY,

Rapper #2: People used to SAY,

Rapper #1: If you sinned too much and you didn't OBEY,

Rapper #2: God would send a CURSE

Rapper #1: And make your life WORSE

Rapper #2: By making you blind or deaf or LAME!

Rapper #3: So, once there was a man who'd been blind since BIRTH

Rapper #1: He couldn't see the sky

Rapper #2: Or the sea,

Rapper #3: Or the EARTH!

Rapper #2: So he begged all day hoping for some MONEY

Rapper #1: To buy some bread or butter and HONEY

Rapper #3: So the friends of Jesus came and asked him WHY,

Rapper #1: That man was born so blind in his EYE.

Rapper #2: "Was it sin in his parents—in his mom or DAD, or sin in himself that made it so BAD?"

Rapper #1: "Neither one,"

Rapper #2: Said Jesus,

Rapper #1: "Neither he nor THEY. Because God, my Father doesn't work that WAY! HE's got a bigger purpose and he's got a bigger PLAN!"

Rapper #3: Then Jesus reached out and he touched that MAN

Rapper #2: With some mud

Rapper #1: That he'd made

Rapper #3: When he spit in the SAND!



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Rapper #1: Friend, go down to the pool and wash your EYES. And when you're done you'll get a big SURPRISE!"

Rapper #2: So he washed that mud; then he looked AROUND

Rapper #3: At the sky,

Rapper #2: And the sea,

Rapper #3: And the dusty GROUND!

Healed Man: I can see the clouds! I can see the TREES! I can see the birds and the buzzin', buzzin' BEES! I can see the fields with the green, green GRASSES! And I don't even need a pair of GLASSES!

Rapper #3: Then all the people who had seen him BEG

Rapper #1: Said, "Is it really you? Are you pulling our LEG?"

Healed Man: It's me! It's me! I'm him! He's ME! I used to be blind, but now I SEE! I can see the clouds! I can see the TREES! I can see the bird and the buzzin', buzzin' BEES! I can see the fields with the green, green GRASSES! And I don't even need a pair of GLASSES!

Rapper #1: "But how?" they said, and their jaws hung LOW.

Rapper #2: 'Cause they'd never seen anything like it BEFOW!

Healed Man: Well, a man named Jesus put some mud on my EYES. And when I washed it off I got a big SURPRISE! I could see the trees and the bees and the GRASSES! And I didn't even need a pair of GLASSES!

Rapper #3: "So where's this healer?"

Healed Man: Who knows? Not ME.

Rapper #3: "Then come with us to the PHARISEES!"

Pharisee: If Jesus really helped you, then it wasn't BLEST! 'Cause you're not supposed to heal on the day of REST! Tell us, how did he do it? Tell us, what did he DO? Tell us every little thing that he did to YOU!

Healed Man: Like I said before, he put mud on my EYES. And when I washed it off I got a big SURPRISE! I could see the trees and the bees and the GRASSES! I didn't even need a pair of GLASSES!

Pharisee: But who do you think this man could BE? 'Cause what kind of man makes a blind man SEE?

Healed Man: It might sound strange and it might sound ODD, but I think he's a prophet sent down from GOD!



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Rapper #1: Well, the Pharisees doubted.

Rapper #2: They were full of DOUBT!

Rapper #1: So they called his parents,

Rapper #2: To check it OUT!

Rapper #3: (As the parents) “That ‘s him,” they said, “that boy’s our SON, and he’s always been blind and it wasn’t much FUN. But now he can see, and we don’t know HOW. And all we can say is ‘whoa’ and ‘WOW!’”

Rapper #1: So one more time they called him IN, and they said,

Pharisee: “It wasn’t Jesus ‘cause he’s full of SIN!”

Healed Man: So you say... so you say... so you say to ME, but I used to be blind and now I SEE! You say he’s a sinner. I don’t know if that’s TRUE. But I know this much, and I say to YOU, I used to be blind as a bat in a TREE, but now I’m healed... and now I see!

Pharisee: But how...? How...? How...did he help you SEE?

Healed Man: I told you before, but you wouldn’t BELIEVE.... Hey, maybe you just want to hear it AGAIN, ‘cause you wanna believe and follow HIM!

Pharisee: No way!

Rapper #1: They screamed.

Pharisee: That guy’s a BUM! After all we don’t even know where he’s FROM!

Healed Man: But if Jesus didn’t really come from God on HIGH, then he couldn’t have healed my blinded EYE!

Rapper #1: Then the Pharisees all got really, really MAD. They’d heard enough. Yes sir, they HAD.

Pharisee: You’re so full of sin, God sent you a CURSE! He made you blind from the day of your BIRTH! And the things you believe are all outta WHACK. So get outta here now, and don’t ever come BACK!

Rapper #2: When Jesus heard the Pharisees had kicked him OUT, He searched, ‘till he found him walkin’ ABOUT.

Rapper #1: He said, “Do you believe in the Son of MAN?”

Healed Man: Tell me who he is and I will if I CAN!

Rapper #1: “It’s me! It’s me! I’m him! He’s ME! I’m the Light of the World, and I’ll help you SEE. I’ve come to heal people who are blind INSIDE, and to show proud people that they’re



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really BLIND!”

Rapper #2: And the man smiled big,

Rapper #3: Yeah, he let it SHOW.

Rapper #1: He said, “I believe,”

Rapper #3: And he bowed down LOW.

Rapper #2: And he worshiped the One who had helped him SEE.

Rapper #1: ‘Cause his eyes had been opened and his heart set FREE.

Healed Man: My eyes have been opened and my heart set FREE!

Everyone: The End (take a bow)

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How long had this man in the story been blind?
2. Why did the disciples think this man was born blind?
3. What did Jesus say about the reason this man was blind?
4. What did Jesus put on this man’s eyes?
5. What did the Pharisees think about Jesus?
6. What did the blind man think about Jesus?
7. What do you think about Jesus?

SIMPLIFIED LESSON OPTIONS

- Tell the account of the Man Born Blind in simple story form or read from a children’s bible.
- Ask 2-3 of the easier discussion questions.



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CRAFT & GAME

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• CRAFT •

OBJECTIVE: GOOFY GLASSES

Cut out and decorate a pair of goofy glasses.

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM

- Scissors, staplers, rulers, hole punches

DIRECTIONS

- Cut out glasses
- Glue or tape side pieces to glasses
- Decorate glasses

SIMPLIFIED CRAFT OPTIONS

- Cut glasses prior to Kits Club
- Use simple decorations like stickers

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Copies of glasses template on cardstock, one per child
- Stickers
- Glitter
- Sticky jewels
- Other decorations
- Glue
- Tape

• GAME •

OBJECTIVE: BLIND MAN LINEUP

Race to see which team can line up their team in order of height...with blindfolds on!

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Bandannas or fabric strips for blindfolds

INSTRUCTIONS

- Players form a circle
- Divide the children into groups of approximately 12
- Spread groups out in a level playing area
- All players put on a blindfold
- Race to see which team can line up in order from shortest to tallest
- Variations: Line up in birthday order or alphabetical order. Line up in order of shoe size.

SIMPLIFIED GAME OPTIONS

- Play game a mission team member in each group
- Play game without blindfolds



WORD SEARCH



Jesus
blind
birth
disciples
sin

parents
Neither
works
God
manifest

world
spat
clay
spittle
Siloam

wash
pool
neighbours
seeing
opened