

Small Talk

MARCH 2011

Key Question:

Who will help you?

Memory Verse:

"He cares for you."
1 Peter 5:7, CEV

Basic Truth:

Jesus wants to be
my friend forever.

Bottom Line:

Jesus will help me.

BIBLE STORY SUMMARIES:

WEEK 1

John 9:1-7

Jesus covers a blind man's eyes with mud, tells him to go wash and the man's eyes are healed.

WEEK 2

Luke 17:11-19

Jesus heals 10 men of their leprosy. One comes back to praise God and tell Jesus "Thank You."

WEEK 3

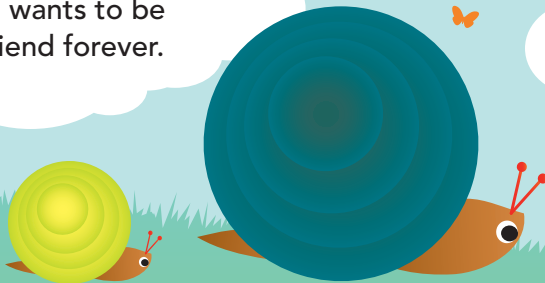
Mark 2:1-12

Four men carry a paralyzed man to Jesus. There are so many people they cannot get to Jesus, so they lower him through the roof on a mat. Jesus heals the man and tells him to take his mat and go home.

WEEK 4

Mark 7:32-37

Jesus heals a deaf man who can hardly talk by putting His fingers in his ears and touching his tongue.



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PLAY TIME

Grab a hat or apron from the house and make it your "special helper" hat/apron. Hang it somewhere in the kitchen for everyone to see. Give it to your child to wear while he helps you. Tell your child that Jesus helps people, and He wants us to help people too. Each time he helps, praise him for being such a good helper just like Jesus.



CAR TIME

As you ride down the road this month, pray for people you see that may need Jesus to help them. You may see a broken down car, ambulance, homeless person or fender bender. When we open our eyes, we can see needs all around us.

You can download this month's song "I'm So Glad He Loves Me" at Amberskyrecords.com



BATH TIME

As you bathe your child, ask him to point to his eyes, ears, mouth, feet, legs, arms and so on. When you are finished naming several parts of the body, tell your child that Jesus helps people to see with their eyes, hear with their ears, talk with their mouth and walk with their legs. Jesus can do anything!



CUDDLE TIME

Cuddle up with your child and pray with him. "Dear God, I need Your help. I need help to do the right thing. I need help to say nice words. I need help to share. I need help to work hard. Thank you for sending Jesus to help me. I love You, God. Amen."

IMAGINE THE END:

Your child will need help countless times in the course of his life. Wouldn't it be awesome if every time your child needed help he immediately went to Jesus? *Jesus, I need help with school. Jesus, I need help in this relationship. Jesus, I need help with my heart.* The same Jesus who helped the blind to see and the lame to walk wants to help your child for the rest of his life. The best way to help this happen is for you as a parent to take your child to Jesus now with every boo-boo and hurt feeling big and small. When your child leaves home, you will send him away with a best friend that will always be there to help him.

MAKE IT PERSONAL:

How are you at asking for help? Do you catch yourself trying to fix things yourself or depending on human reasoning? Do you look for real solutions or do you resign to the thought that things will never change? Here's the truth, Jesus is waiting to help you. He has the power to help and He wants to help. Begin keeping a list of your needs. Ask Jesus to help you and then write down how Jesus helps you when He does. Before long your list will grow and you will have much to be thankful for.

