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Lesson #3: JESUS HEALS THE SICK (MATTHEW 8:1-15, 28-34)



The Bible says that large crowds of people followed Jesus. A man with leprosy wanted Jesus to heal him. Leprosy was a terrible disease. Doctors couldn't cure it. It made sores on the man's skin and if other people touched him they would get sick too. So, this man was considered unclean. No one wanted to be around him. The Old Testament law said no one could touch him. The sick man said, "Lord, please make me clean."

Jesus felt compassion for the leper. He touched the man and said, "Be clean." Immediately a miracle happened - the leprosy was gone and he was healed!



A short time later an important military officer called a Centurion came to see Jesus. He said, "My servant is laying at home sick and he is about to die."

Jesus looked at this man with compassion and said, "I will come right away and heal him."

The Centurion said, "I'm not worthy for you to come to my house. All you have to do is say the word and I know he will be healed." Jesus knew that this man had great faith. He understood that Jesus had power to heal. Jesus told the Centurion, "Go home and your servant will be healed." At that very time the servant was healed!





Later, Jesus went to Peter’s house. Peter was one of Jesus’ closest disciples. His mother-in-law was very sick with a fever. She was so sick that she was dying. Jesus touched her hand and immediately the fever was gone! She was healthy and strong! She jumped out of bed and fixed Jesus something to eat.

Jesus went to the shore of the Sea of Galilee. He saw a man acting very strangely. The disciples feared the man. But Jesus wasn’t afraid. Jesus could see the man’s heart, even though no one else could. He knew that Satan was hurting the man by sending evil spirits to live in him. Jesus saw how much the man was hurting and wanted to help.



This man had no friends. People of the town put chains on him to keep him away from their town. The evil spirits made the man very strong and broke the chains. But Jesus is stronger than Satan and his mean tricks. Jesus asked, “What is your name?” “My name is Legion,” replied the man in a very strange voice. His voice sounded strange because it was actually the evil spirits who were speaking.

There were many of Satan’s demons and they shouted, “Son of God, don’t hurt us!” Jesus commanded the evil spirits to leave this man immediately. The evil spirits went into some pigs who were nearby. When this happened all the pigs began to act so crazy that they jumped off a cliff into the sea and died.



The man was healed! Now he was acting completely normal. He sat quietly and talked to Jesus. Jesus said, “Go back to your family and tell them all the wonderful things God has done for you today.”

Jesus has power over everything – sickness, death and even over Satan! He is truly the Son of God!



PRIMARY GRADES ACTIVITY
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LEPER

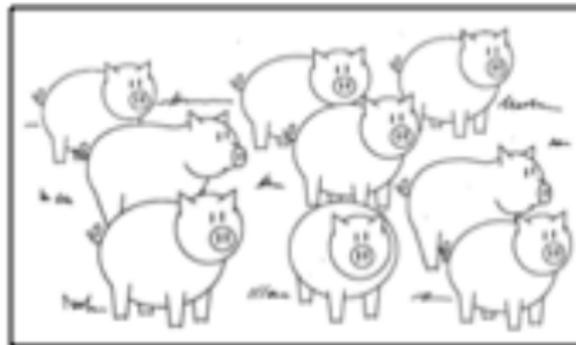


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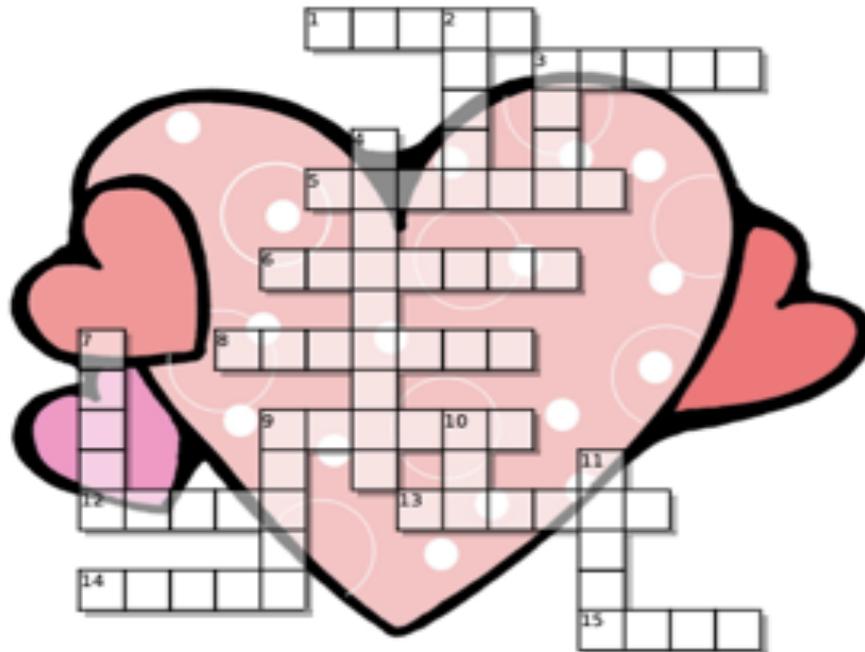
SERVANT

PIGS



UPPER GRADES ACTIVITY

Jesus Heals the Sick (Matthew 8)



ACROSS

- 1 The crazy pigs jumped off of a _____.
- 3 Jesus has _____ over sickness, death and even over Satan.
- 5 A terrible disease that causes sores on the skin.
- 6 Bible book that tells about these miracles.
- 8 Evil _____ were in the man causing him to act wildly.
- 9 Large _____ followed Jesus.
- 12 Jesus healed the servant without even going to the Centurion's _____.
- 13 The demon-possessed man was called _____.
- 14 _____ Wants to hurt people.
- 15 Jesus touched Peter's mother-in-law's _____ and she was healed.

DOWN

- 2 Peter's mother-law was very sick with a _____.
- 3 Jesus sent the evil spirits into _____.
- 4 Military officer that came to see Jesus.
- 7 Jesus knew the Centurion had great _____.
- 9 The leper said, "Please make me _____."
- 10 The Centurion's servant was so sick he was about to _____.
- 11 No one could _____ a man that had leprosy.

Jesus can heal me!
He will help me to keep _____ out of my life!

