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LIFE OF JESUS

Jesus Heals a Paralytic

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Slide: Welcome

(Start kid's countdown once all classes are present.)

Hey kids! Welcome to Kid's Church. I'm so glad you could be here today.

Slide: Series Intro

Leader Tip: Invite a few kids up to do a demonstration. Have one kid act as the paralytic and the others try to pick up and carry that kid around the room. After a few minutes, ask the participants a few questions. "How hard was it to carry the kid around?" "Do you think you could climb up on a roof while carrying the kid?" "How did it feel to be carried around rather than walking yourself?"

Before we get into our lesson, I have some questions for you guys. What are some things in life that you want? (allow kids to answer). Right! We want things like new toys or cool clothes. What about things you need? (allow kids to answer). Good. We need things like air to breathe and food to eat. (If you did the above demonstration, ask the group what each of the participants needed-strength for those that carried and healing for the kid who was being carried)

Well in today's lesson we're going to learn about something we all need above everything else. And we're going to learn about it through a time when Jesus healed a man who couldn't walk.

We'll learn more about that in a few minutes, but first let's stand and sing a song!

Song

Unshakeable

Good job! I think God loves hearing all your voices praising him! Now let's say our Big Idea together.

Slide: Big Idea

All together: Jesus cares about every need we have. (Repeat)

Video

Play lesson video.

Slide: Recap

So, what did we learn from the video today? Let's review...

- How did the paralyzed man's friends get him to Jesus? (they cut a hole in the roof and lowered him down)
- What did Jesus do for the paralytic? (healed him physically and spiritually)
- True or False: Jesus cares about every need we have. (T)

Of course that's true! Jesus knows exactly what we need. Sometimes we need little things like someone to help us tie our shoes or a snack to make us feel better. Other times we need bigger things like a friend to help us through hard times or a miracle to heal our sick family members. Jesus wants to help us with all of those things. However, it's important to remember that sometimes what we think we need isn't what Jesus knows we need. So if you pray and ask God for something and don't get it, it's probably because he knows you don't really need it, and it won't be what's best for you!

That reminds me of our memory verse. Let's all stand and say it together.

Slide: Memory Verse

**"The Lord (point up) is my shepherd (march in place); I have all that I need. (hands over heart)"
Psalm 23:1 (Repeat)**

In our story, a paralyzed man and a few of his friends went to find Jesus because they knew Jesus had the power to heal. They thought the only need the paralytic had was to have the ability to walk but Jesus knew that the man had an even bigger need than that. That's why when the man was lowered before him, Jesus said, "Your sins are forgiven." Jesus wanted to heal him from his sins before he healed his physical need.

This story reminds us that Jesus cares about every need we have, the big and small. And, only Jesus has the power to heal us because he's God. So, he can make a paralytic walk and he has the power to heal us from sin. Now let's all stand and sing one last song together.

Song

Me Without You

Okay, let's all say the Big Idea together one last time!

Slide: Big Idea

Jesus cares about every need we have. (Repeat)

Slide: Let's Pray

Pray and release the kids to small group.