

Jesus Heals

Card 12

Teacher Background

Review Card Set

Scripture: Mark 9:14-29

Theme: authority

2 Read Aloud

Mark 9:17, 25-27

1 Review Activity

3 Storytelling

Pass out Card 12. Share the story.

- One day, Jesus and three of his disciples (followers) were coming down from a mountain when they saw a large crowd around the other disciples. Jesus asked why they were arguing. A man told him that his son needed to be healed because an evil spirit lived inside of him, but the disciples weren't able to help him. Jesus asked for the boy to be brought to him.
- They brought the boy, and as soon as the evil spirit saw Jesus, it made the boy shake all over. He fell down and began rolling on the ground and foaming at the mouth.
- Jesus learned that the boy had suffered like this since he was little.
- Jesus said, "Anything is possible if a person believes."
- The boy's father responded, "I do believe, but help me to overcome my unbelief!"
- When Jesus saw that a crowd was gathering fast, he told the evil spirit, "I command you to come out of this child and never enter him again."
- The spirit screamed and made the boy shake all over. Then it went out of him. The boy looked dead, but Jesus took his hand and helped him stand up. The boy was healed!
- When the disciples couldn't help this boy, Jesus stepped in and helped. He had the authority to command the evil spirit to come out of the boy. Authority is the right and the power to call on God. Jesus was able to cast out the evil spirit because the boy's father believed in Jesus and Jesus had the power of God.
- Jesus has compassion for us. If we believe in him, he is able to heal us.

4 Discussion Questions

1. What did Jesus say after the boy was brought to him? ("Anything is possible if a person believes.")
2. What happened when Jesus commanded the spirit to come out? (boy was healed)
3. What happens when we believe in Jesus' authority and power? (he can help/heal us)

5 Memory Verse

Luke 18:27

He replied, "What is impossible for people is possible with God."

6 Activity: I See

Choose one child to be the "See-er." The "See-er" will look around and mentally choose an object within their sight. The "See-er" cannot reveal the object, but will only give clues. Example: Tell the group what colour it is by saying, "I see something [red]." The other players guess what the object is until they answer correctly. The child with the correct answer becomes the next "See-er." For larger groups, break the children into multiple groups.

7 Learning Point

Jesus has the authority from God to perform many miracles. In the Bible we see he healed the sick, cast out demons, and even raised the dead. He did all of this because of his authority over all and his compassion for people. To play today's game, you had to look very carefully at the people and things around you. Jesus knew how to be compassionate because he paid close attention to what people needed and he used his authority to address their needs. He has compassion for you, too; he has the authority to heal you! Do you need Jesus' help? Pray to him and ask him to heal you. Because Jesus has the authority over sickness and even death, he can heal you! You can pray to Jesus for yourself and others in your life who need Jesus' help.

8 Review Card Set

