

ONE CONVERSATION™

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE

EXODUS 14:29-31;

15:22-27

Our Healer

CONNECTION POINT: Jesus performed miracles through the power of God.

THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE: We are broken people. We may be broken by our circumstances or surroundings, or we may be broken by our sin and failures. Regardless of our best efforts, we remain broken people. But God steps in. He heals our brokenness and restores us when we trust in Him. The Israelites were continually called to trust and obey God. In so doing, they would experience His healing and wholeness.

PRESCHOOL



JOHN 9:1-34

LIVE IT OUT: Provide a toy doctor kit for your child to play with. Encourage her to doctor a doll or stuffed animal. Comment that doctors help people get well but Jesus did special things that even doctors cannot do.

Jesus saw a man who had been blind since the day he was born. The blind man begged for money as people walked by.

Jesus made mud and put it on the blind man's eyes. Jesus told the man to go and wash his eyes in the pool of Siloam.

The man obeyed Jesus. He went to the pool and washed the mud off his eyes. He could see! Jesus had healed him.

People were surprised that the man could see. They asked, "Are you the man who used to sit in the street and beg? What happened?"

The man said, "I was blind, and Jesus healed me." He told the people what Jesus had done.

Some men were angry. They did not believe that Jesus could heal a man who was blind. The man insisted that it was Jesus who had healed him.

KIDS



JOHN 9:1-34

LIVE IT OUT: Does your family know someone suffering with an illness? Remind your child about Jesus' healing miracles. Help your child understand that Jesus can still heal people today, but He often works through doctors to help sick people. Thank Jesus for His gifts of healing.

Jesus saw a man who had been born blind. He told His disciples, "This man's blindness will show God's works."

Jesus spit on the ground and made mud. He spread the mud on the man's eyes. "Go wash in the pool," Jesus said.

The man washed his eyes. He could see!

The man's neighbors were surprised the man could now see. "Jesus made me well. Now I can see!" the man said.

The temple leaders did not believe what happened. They kept asking the man what happened. "We don't know about this Jesus," they said.

The healed man said, "We know God listens to people who love Him and obey Him. No one has ever heard of a person who was born blind being healed. If Jesus were not from God, He wouldn't be able to do anything!"

STUDENTS

THE POINT: God is the only one who can restore us and make us whole.

- When have you admired a renovation project?
- What prevents us from turning to God during impossible situations?
- How does complaining impact our connection with God?
- What are some different ways God heals and restores His people?

Discuss the following quote: "The more desperate thy disease, the greater is the glory of thy physician, who hath perfectly cured thee." — Abraham Wright

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out in the Personal Study Guide.

Here are some ways you can encourage your students to live out their faith with Christ personally, in community, and in their culture:

- **CHRIST:** Pray with your student this week and thank God for the healing in your lives. Take time to look up special verses of healing that you can read together.
- **COMMUNITY:** Create a list of people in your church or neighborhood that are in need of help and healing. Discuss ways you can help them and follow through.
- **CULTURE:** The world is full of suffering people. Consider ways that your family can use its specific blessings to minister to those in need. Make a plan that you can continue to follow in the weeks and months ahead.

1. "16 Amazing Quotes About Healing," Christian Quotes [online], [accessed 27 August 2017]. Available from the Internet: https://www.christianquotes.info/top-quotes/16-amazing-quotes-abouthealing/#_axzz4r4oBjR4N.