

Troy Kids

Family Worship Guide

August 31st

Memory Verse

Psalms 119:9-10

[9] How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. [10] With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments!



Get Up!

Back in the Old Testament, God told his people to build a temple where only special priests could go to offer sacrifices and ask God to forgive sins. Everyone knew that only God could forgive sins—and only in the temple, through the priests. So when Jesus, who wasn't a priest, told a man, "Your sins are forgiven," the religious leaders were shocked. They thought Jesus couldn't say that because only God can forgive sins.

But Jesus is God's Son, and he came to show that he really does have the power to forgive. A group of friends brought a paralyzed man to Jesus, believing he could help. When Jesus saw their faith, he forgave the man's sins—and then healed his body too! The man got up, picked up his mat, and walked! Everyone was amazed and praised God. Jesus showed that he came to rescue sinners like us and that we can come straight to him for forgiveness.

TROY KIDS RECAP

In Troy Kids this week, your students learned about the story of Jesus healing a paralyzed man.. The Big Truth from this week is this – **"Jesus has the power to forgive sins."**

Ask these questions below to help your students remember and reflect on the lesson:

1. **Question:** Why were so many people trying to get to Jesus? Why were the friends of the paralyzed man trying to get to Jesus? Did Jesus say he came to call those who are good or those who know they need a Savior? Why did Jesus heal the paralyzed man? **Takeaway: Jesus came to heal those who know they need a Savior.**

2. **Question:** According to the Old Testament, how would people find forgiveness for their sin? Who is the only one that could forgive sins? Why did it make the religious leaders angry when Jesus told the paralyzed man, "Your sins are forgiven"? What did they get right? What did they get wrong? **Takeaway: Jesus has authority to forgive sins.**

3. **Question:** If you break something of your parents, ask their forgiveness, and are forgiven by them, how do you feel? What about if you're feeling really sick and a doctor gives you medicine that makes you feel better? How do you think the paralyzed man felt when Jesus healed and forgave his sins? How did the crowd respond? **Takeaway: When Jesus heals and forgives, the people of God celebrate.**

4. **Question:** According to Jewish law, who should the paralyzed man have gone to for forgiveness of his sins? Who are we to go to for forgiveness of our sins? Why don't we need to go to a temple anymore? **Takeaway: Because of Jesus, we no longer need a temple priest to ask for forgiveness for our sins; we can ask Jesus directly.**

BIG TRUTH

**Jesus has the
power to forgive
sins.**

LISTEN/WATCH THE STORY

You can find a podcast of this story on Apple Podcast, Spotify, or Youtube.

Title: Get Up! – Story 59



SPOTIFY



APPLE

- There are also animated videos of the story available on youtube.

READ THE STORY

Scripture: Mark 2

Story Bible: Story 59

The Biggest Story Bible Storybook is available on Amazon. This storybook will match the curriculum. Other storybook/beginner Bible's will likely be compatible as well.

PRAY IT

Ask God to open children's eyes to see who Jesus is what he has done, and how they should respond to him.

Thank Jesus for his authority to forgive sins.

Pray that children will recognize their need for a Savior and come to Jesus directly.

AT HOME

- Family Worship
 - This week, aim to Read, Pray, and Sing at least twice.
 - Pick two days.
 - Read from a story book Bible or use this plan to recap this story.
 - Pray through what you have read.
 - Sing – try simple hymns like “There is a Fountain Filled With Blood” or “Holy, Holy, Holy”. For younger kids start with “Jesus Loves Me” or “Doxology”

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