

LESSON 14 | UNIT 3

Jesus Heals a Sick Lady

Jesus' care

Scripture Focus

Mark 5:25–34

BuildUP Theme



BELIEVE THE GOSPEL



LEARN DOCTRINE

Jesus cares for us when we are sick.

Measurable Student Response

Each child will thank God for caring for sick people.

Memory Verse

"He [God] careth for you"
(1 Peter 5:7).

Teacher Preparation

A crowd of people followed Jesus while He was on His way to heal Jairus's daughter, who was near death. But Jesus was not rushed. When a woman who'd been sick for twelve years touched Jesus in faith, He took time to address her need and heal her. Jesus never allowed the urgency of man to keep Him from ministering to others. Will you allow God to interrupt your busy plans so you can care for others?

In addition to studying the lesson text, read and meditate on these Scripture passages: Ecclesiastes 11:4, 5; Proverbs 3:5, 6.

Snack Time

Serve finger Jell-O and small half-filled cups of juice or water.

When you're sick, Mommy or Daddy might make you Jell-O to help you feel better. So we're having Jell-O for our snack today. God gave you mommies and daddies who take care of you when you're sick.

Guided Play

Choose the activity or activities that work best for the children in your class. As the children play, use the guided conversations to review the Bible story and Bible verse.

Option 1—Homelife

Instructions

1. Provide dolls, blankets, pillows, a toy doctor kit, washcloths, a box of tissues, and doctor or nurse dress-up clothes.
2. Children pretend to be doctors or nurses taking care of sick dolls.

Conversation

Doctors and nurses help us get better. Today we'll find out about a lady in the Bible who was very sick. Someone very special helped her get well: Jesus! Jesus loves and cares for us when we're sick.

Option 2—Books and Puzzles

Instructions

1. Provide books and puzzles that depict Jesus caring for others and doctors and nurses caring for people.
2. Allow children to look at the books and do the puzzles. Some children will want you to read the books to them, while others will want to look at the pictures.

Conversation

Point to Jesus in this picture. What is He doing? Yes, Jesus is helping the sick boy. Jesus cares for sick people. Jesus also loves and cares for you when you are sick. Jesus loves and cares for you all the time.

Story Time

Sing

Our Bible stories are always true stories from the Bible. Let's sing about learning from the Bible. (*Sing stanzas 1 and 2 of "The B-I-B-L-E," in the Lesson 14 folder of the resource CD.*)



Bible Story Review

Jesus Heals a Sick Lady (Mark 5:25–34)



23-43

Before class: Print picture 23-43 from the Lesson 14 folder of the resource CD. (Print on both sides of heavy 8½" x 11" paper.)

Show teaching picture 23-43. Briefly tell the story and ask the review questions on the back of the picture. Allow the children to point to people and things in the picture while answering the questions.

Memory Builder

"He [God] careth for you" (1 Peter 5:7).

Jesus cared about the sick lady in the Bible story, and He cares about us too. Our Bible verse says, *(read 1 Peter 5:7 from your open Bible)*. Try to say the verse with me. *(Recite the verse twice.)*

Now let's say it again, pointing up when we say "He"—because "He" means God—and giving ourselves a hug when we say "careth for you." *(Recite the two or three times, using the motions.)*

Pray

Let's thank God for always caring for us. *(Pray briefly.)*

Sing

Jesus cares about us all the time, even when we're sick or sad. *(Sing stanza 3 of "Morning Prayer.")* When we're sick or sad, we can sing "Jesus Loves Me" to remind ourselves that Jesus loves us. *(Sing stanza 1 of "Jesus Loves Me." Both song sheets are in the Lesson 14 folder of the resource CD.)*

Story

Molly Goes to the Doctor

Molly isn't feeling well. Listen carefully, and let's find out what happens.

"Mommy, my throat hurts," Molly said. *(Show Molly figure.)*

Mommy felt Molly's forehead. "You feel warm. Let me take your temperature." Mommy took her temperature. "You have a fever," said Mommy. "I'll call the doctor."

Mommy hung up the phone and said to Molly, "Okay, sweetie. We're going to visit the doctor."



"Morning Prayer"; "Jesus Loves Me"

Use the Molly figure and vinyl cling 23-V14 (soup can) as indicated.

Molly went to the doctor's office with Mommy. When they got there, Molly was a little scared at first. But then she remembered from her church class that God loves people even when they're sick.

Very quietly Molly sang, "Jesus loves me, this I know. For the Bible tells me so." Molly wasn't scared anymore.

On the way home, Molly and Mommy stopped at the store to pick up medicine. "Molly, let's ask God to help you get better." Mommy prayed, "Dear God, thank You for always caring for us. Please help Molly feel better soon. In Jesus' name, amen."

That afternoon Mommy let Molly choose some soup for lunch. In the pantry, she found her favorite tomato soup. *(Add soup can cling to Molly's hand.)*

The next morning Molly felt a little better. She didn't feel hot anymore, and her throat didn't hurt as much.

"I'm so glad God cares for us all the time," Mommy said, "no matter if we're sick or well."

Activity Time

Instructions

1. Before class: For each child, print resource 23-P55 (happy and sad faces) from the Lesson 14 folder of the resource CD. Cut out both faces for each child. Complete a sample craft.
2. Children color the two faces and glue each one to a 9" paper plate. Help children glue yarn to the rims of the plates as hair.
3. Tape a paint stick to the back of each paper plate as a handle. The children will use the paper plate faces again during Closing Time.

Conversation

Our craft today will help us remember that Jesus loves us all the time—whether we're happy or sad or sick or well. Jesus loves us when we're *(show happy face from your completed project)* happy. Jesus loves us when we're *(show sad face)* sad. *(Lead the children in the following action rhyme.)*

When you are well and feeling glad, *(Hold up happy face plate.)*

When you are sick and feeling sad, *(Hold up sad face plate.)*

God cares for you. *(Hold up happy face plate.)*



Closing Time



Group Activity

Before class: Print today's take-home card from the Lesson 14 folder of the resource CD for every four children. (Print on both sides of heavy 8½" x 11" paper.) Cut apart the cards, one per child.

Give children their paper plate crafts from Activity Time.

Children place their plates facedown on the floor. Say, "Jesus cares for us when we are . . ." Call on a child to turn over one of his or her plates. Ask, "What kind of face is it—happy or sad?" After the child answers, repeat the sentence, filling in the correct description: "Yes, Jesus cares for us when we are happy [or sad]." Repeat the game, allowing every child to have a turn answering the question.

If time remains, recite the following action rhyme:

The lady was so very sad
(*Hold up sad face plate.*)

Because her body felt real bad.
(*Bend over and hold stomach.*)

As she saw Jesus walk away,
(*Walk in place.*)

She reached to touch His robe that day.
(*Crouch and reach out arm.*)

Then Jesus said for all to hear,
(*Stand up.*)

"You are healed, My daughter dear."
(*Point index finger straight ahead.*)

The lady was no longer sad.
(*Hold up happy face plate.*)

Jesus had healed her. She was glad!
(*Hold up happy face plate.*)

Partner with Parents

Tell the parents that today the children learned that Jesus cares when we're sick. Encourage parents to pray with their children this week for someone who is sick.

One teacher should gather the children's belongings near the door. As parents arrive, the teacher should quietly get their children from the group activity and give them their take-home items, including today's take-home card and attendance chart. Tell the children that you look forward to seeing them next Sunday.