

## HomeWord<sup>1</sup> For Parents

**J**esus came to do His Father's will. Part of that mission was to present who He was and who had sent Him. The miracles He performed confirmed these things. Jesus truly was God in the flesh, the Creator, the Messiah—the Son of God.

A healing miracle of Jesus is recorded in John 9. It concerned a man who had been blind from birth. The disciples wondered if the man or his parents had sinned. Jesus replied, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him" (John 9:3). This man's blindness was not a result of personal sin, but rather that Jesus might heal his blindness, and thus display the glory of God and His own deity.

Jesus was not concerned primarily with physical healing. He came to do His Father's will. And that included providing eternal life to sinners (John 5:24). The account of Jesus healing the paralytic is an example of His ability and desire to heal physically and spiritually (Mark 2:1–12.) Jesus told the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you."

These words spoke directly to the man's more serious problem—the sin in his heart. The scribes immediately accused Jesus of blasphemy because only God can forgive sins (Mark 2:6–7). They were right. But because Jesus is God, He can forgive sins.

Jesus also had the power to heal this man physically. He told the man to rise, take his bed, and go home (Mark 2:11). This account shows that Jesus, as God, not only has power to heal, but also to forgive sins and grant eternal life to all who believe and trust in Him—in His life, death, and Resurrection!

Go to the Online Resource Page for more information.

## OutWord<sup>2</sup> For Family Discussion

What if a friend asks you why we don't see miracles like they used to in Bible times? **What could you say?**

*In the Old Testament God used miracles to show people He was the one true God. He parted the Red Sea. He sent manna from heaven. He caused a donkey to talk! And in the New Testament Jesus did miracles so people would know He was God. He walked on water, healed the sick, and rose from the dead. God still does miracles today. He is still healing people from disease when it is His will. He is changing hearts to repent of sin and seek after Him. He still forgives sins and gives hope of eternal life to all who believe in Him. That is the greatest miracle of all time—that God would step into history as the man Jesus, and offer salvation to sinful men. He died, was buried, and rose again! That's the miracle we all need to believe in.*

## inWord<sup>3</sup> For Family Study

"Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path" (Psalm 119:105). You want your children to walk in God's way, on His path. Only His Word can direct them. Help them to know His Word. Study and memorize it together as a family.

*Begin with the memory verse in the Learn the Word section inside this handout.*



# Jesus Has Power Over Disease

## KEY THEME

- Jesus is God.

## KEY PASSAGES

- John 9:1–3, 9:6–7, 9:32–33
- Mark 2:3–5, 2:10–12



## What You HEARD<sup>4</sup> in the Word

- Jesus healed the blind man to show God's glory.
- When Jesus healed and forgave the sins of a paralyzed man, He showed that He can heal physically and spiritually.

Ask your child these questions from today's lesson.

- 1 Why did Jesus do miracles?
- 2 How does Jesus heal spiritually?
- 3 How does Jesus heal physically?






1) To give God glory and show that He is God. 2) He forgives sins. 3) He heals diseases.

# Read the Word with Mom & Dad

- Monday** (1 Corinthians 10:31)  
What should we do for the glory of God?
- Tuesday** (Psalm 115:3)  
God is in the heavens. What does He do there?
- Wednesday** (Philippians 4:20)  
What should our God and Father receive forever and ever?
- Thursday** (John 9:3)  
Why was this man born blind?
- Friday** (Mark 2:5)  
Why was Jesus moved to forgive the paralytic's sins? What did He see in the men?
- Saturday** (John 17:3)  
Who must we know to gain eternal life? (Your memory verse)

## LIVE the Word with Maria and Her Dad

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| <p>What does the Bible tell us about Jesus?</p>           | <p>He is God! He healed sick people. He could forgive sins!</p> <p>That's right!</p>  |
| <p>Why did God want us to know so much about Jesus?</p>  | <p>So we might believe in Him and have eternal life.</p>                             |

### Learn the Word!

And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.  
John 17:3

### SNEAK PEEK

Something sad and something amazing happened to Jesus's friend, Lazarus. Come next week to find out what!



### Jesus Forgives

What did Jesus say to the paralyzed man? To find out, on the lines below write down every second letter starting at the arrow.

When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son,

you." Mark 2:5

### Jesus Heals

Help the four friends take the paralyzed man to Jesus.

