

Unit 22 • Session 1

SESSION TITLE: Jesus Healed Ten Men

Bible Passage: Luke 17

Story Point: Jesus healed ten men with a skin disease.

Key Passage: Isaiah 53:4-5

Big Picture Question: Why did God create people? God created people to love Him and give Him glory.

Count and gather

Cut 10 paper strips. Print the number 1–10 on each strip and place them in a basket or bag. Invite a child to choose a strip. Say the number and ask child to gather items from around the room to coincide with that number. Count the items. Call special attention to the numbers 1, 9, and 10. Relate these numbers to their significance in today's Bible story.

Say • Thank you for gathering 10 [item name]. In today's Bible story, **Jesus healed ten men with a skin disease**. You gathered 9 [item name]. This reminds me that 9 of the men Jesus healed who did not come back. You have one [item name]. One man returned to Jesus to thank Him and give glory to God.

Everybody move

Gather preschoolers. Call out actions taken by people in today's Bible story for preschoolers to play out. Suggested actions include children moving away from one another, coming back together, falling down, hopping back up, or waving arms in praise to God.

Say • Everyone, let's say, "thank You, Jesus!" **Jesus healed ten men with a skin disease**, but only one of them came back to thank Him. Jesus asked where the other men were. Jesus said the man who returned was saved because he had faith. When we trust in Jesus, He heals us from something greater than a disease; He saves us from our sins. We can thank God and worship Him for making us new.

Play out visiting a doctor's office

Set out a toy medical kit, penlights, empty oral syringes, bandages, clean, stethoscopes, dress-up clothes, and other medical related items. Invite preschoolers to play out visiting a doctor's office and to take turns being patients and medical workers.

Say • In Bible times, no doctor could help people with a skin disease. They had to stay far away from everyone until their sickness went away so no one else would catch it. Jesus told them to go and show themselves to the priests. As the ten men went, they all were healed, but one man came back to praise and worship Jesus. ***Why did God create people? God created people to love Him and give Him glory*** just like the one man did.

Look at houses

Print "Types of Houses" and display the images around the room. Lead preschoolers on a walk around the room, looking at each house. Invite preschoolers to stand by the house they like best. Ask children to tell why they like that particular house. Invite preschoolers to stand with you next to the rundown shack.

Say • This is the kind of house where a missionary named Amy chose to live. She wanted to live with the people who were poor. She wanted to help them. She prayed that God would heal the people who were sick. She taught them that Jesus loves them and wants to do more than heal their sicknesses. Jesus came to save people from sin. We can tell people, too, that Jesus loves them and wants to save them.