

MD KIDS CURRICULUM: LUKE

Week 10: Dead Girl & Sick Woman (from Luke 8:40-56)

To the Teacher:

This week we see Jesus command a storm and heal people from sickness, demons, and even death. The power of Jesus and his kingdom is on display here! How have you seen Jesus' power at work in your life this week? Pray for the kids you teach to see his life-giving power too!

- **Big Idea:** Jesus has come to undo the effects of sin: sickness, sadness, and even death!
- **Question:**
 - What did God warn would happen if humans sinned? (*help guide answer to: pain, sickness, sadness, and ultimately, death*)
 - Do you remember the promise God also gave to Adam & Eve after they sinned? (*help guide answer to: He would send a Rescuer to fix it all!*)
- **Starter:** 'Healer Tag'
If you have the space, play a game of tag. Choose one child to be it and whoever gets tagged must sit down. However, one other child will play 'healer'. Their job is to tag those who have sat down by grabbing their hand and saying, "Get up!"

Limited space or don't want them too wild? Try this...

Everyone stays seated except for the 'healer' and the 'tagger'. Everyone closes their eyes while the tagger touches one child on the shoulder. Then, the healer may open his/her eyes and has three chances to guess the child that was tagged. If they guess correctly, the 'healed' child gets up and switches places with the 'healer' for the next round. If they guess incorrectly, the tagged child switches places with the 'tagger' instead.

- **Story:** from Luke 8:40-56

[READ]

Jesus traveled from town to town, teaching and working miracles no other human could. One day, he was on a boat with his disciples and a huge storm came. Jesus stopped it with just a word! When they got across the lake, they went into a town where he healed a man possessed by demons.

When Jesus came back, a huge crowd was waiting for him. A man in the crowd was a religious leader named Jairus. He ran and fell at Jesus' feet, begging him to come and heal his daughter. She was sick and dying! Jesus agreed to go help, but the crowd was so big it was hard to get through. While people were pushing to get to Jesus, one sick woman thought, "If I can just touch his clothes, I'll get better!"

She had been bleeding for years, but as soon as she touched Jesus' clothes she was healed and stopped bleeding! Jesus felt the power of his healing go out to her and asked, "Who touched me?" Peter said, "We're in a large crowd. Lots of people are touching you!" But Jesus knew this touch was different. The woman fell at his feet and told Jesus how she was sick, but now she was instantly healed by his touch. Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace."

Just then, someone came from Jairus' home and told him his daughter had died so Jesus couldn't heal her anymore. Jesus said, "Don't be afraid. I can still heal her if you believe the way this other woman did." He went to Jairus' home and brought Peter, John, James, and the dead girl's parents in to see her. Lots of people were around crying, but Jesus told them to stop because she was only sleeping. They laughed at Jesus because they knew she was dead! But Jesus grabbed the girl's hand and said, "Get up my child!" Immediately she had breath again and stood up! Jesus told them to give her some food. Her parents were amazed.

[Reflection Questions]

- Jesus stopped storms with a word, commanded demons to leave people alone, healed people who were sick, and even brought a dead girl back to life!
 - Do you know any other human who can do these things?
 - Why do you think Jesus was able to do all of this?
- A lot of people in that crowd were probably touching and bumping into Jesus. Why do you think the sick woman's touch was different? *[Help guide answers toward]:*
 - She knew how much she needed Jesus
 - She believed he had the power to heal her
- Jesus was able to quiet storms and bring someone back to life with just his words!
 - What do you think was so powerful about Jesus' words?
 - *[Read] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing*

was made that has been made. In him was life... The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:1-4, 14)

- **Prayer:**

God, You have come to us through Jesus, to heal and fix all broken things! Your Word is strong and powerful. Help us to trust Your Word more and more each day so we will be healed too! Amen.

- **Craft:** 'Get Up Girl!'

- *Using the next page, color the girl and bed, cut them out, and use a brass fastener to attach the girl to the bed. Insert the fastener at her waist so that she can pivot. Start the girl in the lying down position, then the kids can rotate her so it seems she is standing up out of bed.*
- *Or use the coloring sheet on the following page*

- **BLESS Activity:**

For kids to do during the week

Jesus' words are powerful. Take time this week to **Listen** to his words by asking your parents to read the Bible with you. Practice **Speaking** what was read back to your parents by retelling what they read.



