

Bible Story 45: JESUS HEALS A BLIND MAN; JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD

SCRIPTURE: Blind Man: John 9:1-15, 24-25, 34-38
Good Shepherd: John 10:1-15

MEMORY VERSE: John 10:14

BIBLE STORY:

JESUS HEALS A BLIND MAN

On a Sabbath day, Jesus was passing by when He saw a blind man. The man was blind from birth. Jesus spit on the ground. He made mud from the dirt and His saliva. Then Jesus put the mud on the blind man's eyes. Jesus said, ***"Go to the Pool of Siloam and wash your eyes."***

The blind man obeyed. He went to the pool and washed his eyes. He could see! He told others what happened. He said, ***"I can see, because of Jesus!"***

The Pharisees were religious leaders and did not allow any kind of work on the Sabbath. The Pharisees told everyone that Jesus did not heal the man. It was the Sabbath. They threw the man out.

Later Jesus went to the man and spoke to him. The man told Jesus, ***"I believe You are the Son of God."***

JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Jesus told the people about sheep:

"Sheep are kept in a pen, a small enclosed area. There is only one door to the pen. The shepherd is the only one who enters the door to the pen. The shepherd opens the door and calls each sheep by its name. When each sheep hears his shepherd's voice, he will follow him."

Then Jesus said, ***"I am the door. My sheep must pass through Me."***

Jesus continued:

"The good shepherd protects his sheep. The shepherd will even give his life for the sheep. When a wolf attacks the sheep, the good shepherd does not run off. The good shepherd stays to protect his sheep."

Then Jesus said, ***"I am the Good Shepherd. Just as I know My sheep, My sheep know Me. In fact, I am ready to die for My sheep."***

PART 1: PERSONAL QUESTIONS

1. What did you learn from the story?
2. How can you apply this story to your life?

PART 2: GENERIC QUESTIONS

1. What do you like about the story?
2. What is there in the story that you do not understand?
3. Who are the main people in the story?
4. What problems did the people face?
5. How did the people face their problems?
6. How have you faced similar problems?
7. Is there someone in the story who is similar to you or who is different from you?
8. What does the story tell about God?

PART 3: SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

1. How old was the man when he became blind?
2. How did Jesus heal the blind man on the Sabbath? What happened?
3. What are some ways you can help someone who is blind?
4. Who did the blind man believe Jesus was?
5. What is a pen for sheep? How do sheep enter a pen?
6. Jesus said, *“I am the door. My sheep must pass through Me.”* What does that mean?
7. How can someone enter heaven?
8. Jesus said, *“I am the Good Shepherd. Just as I know My sheep, My sheep know Me. In fact, I am ready to die for My sheep.”* What does that mean?
9. Who is Jesus to you?