



Week of Jun 18 - a

Scripture: Mt 9:27-34

Main Idea: These two stories highlight how important our faith is to God (Jesus) and his ability to help us (“Do you believe that I am able to do this”). Then, the 2nd story ends by showing that some refused to believe in Jesus, and even said he cast out demons by the power of Satan. What an insult that must have been to Jesus.

Questions

Preschool: Jesus healed the blind man with a touch. Do you believe that God can still do great things for us today?

Grade school: In this scripture Jesus healed the blind men. He told them if they believed – they would be healed. If they didn’t believe him, but hoped for the best, would they have been healed? When you pray, do you believe or hope for the best? Do you think that too is an insult to Jesus?

Teen: What do you believe Jesus can do? The Pharisees did not want to believe that Jesus was more powerful, and more knowledgeable, than they were. Do you think people today feel the same way? Is it hard for them to accept Jesus being so much greater than themselves? When we lack faith are we insulting Jesus by thinking he is not enough for anything we might face?

Adult: Do you think these blind men would have been healed if they had not believed that Jesus could heal them? This seems to give some insight to the fact that Jesus did miracles to help people to believe in him. Acts 2:22 says he was accredited or approved or commended by God through miracles, wonders and signs. (depends on version you read). Yet in this scripture, the Pharisees, who had seen the miracles, didn't believe in him. What caused their eyes to be blinded to the truth?

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY:

For God to help us have strong faith and to help us not doubt.

June Memory Verse:

Psalm 107:1 (ESV)

¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!



Week of Jun 18 - b

Scripture: Mt 9:35-38

Main Idea: Jesus saw in the crowds what most didn't see. He saw how harassed and helpless they were. He pointed out that there were many in those crowds ready to follow God, but there was a lack of workers to help them. Are things any different today?

Questions

Preschool: We know it is important to believe in God. Is it important to do work for God's church?

Grade school: Today there are so many different ways people can hear about Jesus. They can watch TV, search on the internet, listen to the radio, or read books to name a few. Surely there are many people wanting to learn the truth about Jesus. Do we have enough of us willing to show them what we know from God's Word, the Bible?

Teen: Jesus felt compassion for those who were hurting, sick, and lost. What do you feel when confronted with people who are hurt, sick or lost? In what ways can we be workers in the harvest today?

Adult: Have you ever seen animals who are looking for a leader? Most of us haven't seen a flock of sheep, but they really are clueless when left on their own. Do you ever feel that the harvest is no longer plentiful? That most people, especially in the U.S., have heard of Jesus and made a decision to follow or not? Do you think that's true? Have you ever met someone who didn't have any religious background? Where did their morality come from? What helped them make decisions in their lives? Were they like sheep without a shepherd?

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY:

For God to help us have compassion on people who aren't following him. Also for us to be active in sharing our faith and leading more to salvation.

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