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We suggest that you print pages 2 - 6 and distribute them to your students.



Topic: God is our healer.



Read the Bible References:

The Bible references can be read by different children if possible. Or the teacher can read them.



Goal of Lesson:

- To explain to students that God is our healer.



Lesson Takeaway:

God is the greatest Healer. He stills heals today.



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Bible References:

Exodus 15:26; Psalm 103:2 – 3;
Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 2:24;
3 John 1:2.



What does it mean to heal?

When we talk about healing, it usually means someone has been sick.

So, to heal is to restore someone from sickness back to health. It involves making someone well and whole again so that they feel better in their body (physically), mind (emotionally) and soul (spiritually).

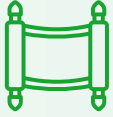
Healing is something that we hope for when we are sick.

We will usually visit our doctor for a check-up; then, the doctors might give us medicine to make us feel better.

However, only God can truly heal from any kind of sickness. The doctors usually try their best to make us feel better, but healing is what only God can do.

Only God is able to restore us back to health.





How did God show His healing power in the Old Testament?

In the Old Testament, God showed Himself to the people of Israel as the One who heals. “For I am the LORD who heals you” (Exodus 15:26). He is known as Jehovah Rapha, the God who heals.

Let’s see some examples of God’s healing power in the Old Testament.

1. The healing of Naaman

In 2 Kings 5:1 – 14, through the word spoken by Elisha, the prophet, Naaman was healed. “Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored to you, and you shall be clean (2 Kings 5:10).

What has a river got to do with healing a leprous man? It was the healing power of God working through the words of Elisha that made Naaman whole. The river was only a medium, just like the medicine we use today.

2. Deliverance from fiery snakes

In Numbers 21: 4 – 9, when the people of Israel complained in the wilderness, God sent snakes to bite them. When they cried out to God for help, God asked Moses to make a bronze snake and put it on a pole. If anyone was bitten by a real snake, and he looked up at the bronze snake, he or she would live and not die. Again, the healing power of God was working through the bronze snake.

3. Healing of David’s broken heart

In 2 Samuel 12:9, King David sinned against God by taking another man’s wife and then made arrangement for the man to be killed in battle.

In Psalm 32:3 – 5, he described the guilt and burden he felt when he refused to confess his sins to God. But when he finally confessed his sins in Psalm 51: 1 – 10, God healed his broken heart and took away his guilt and shame. God is interested in healing our body, soul and mind. He wants to make us completely whole.





How did God show His healing power in the New Testament?

In the New Testament, God continued to show his healing power in the lives of many people.

1. Healing of blind Bartimaeus

In Mark 10: 46 – 52, when Jesus was passing through Jericho, blind Bartimaeus cried out, “Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me!”. Later, he told Jesus that he wanted his eyes to be opened and that was exactly what happened.

Jesus simply told him, “Go your way; your faith has made you well” and immediately, his eyes were opened.

2. Healing of a man with a demon

When Jesus arrived at the country of Gadarenes, a man who was controlled by demons met him. This man lived among tombs. His mind was not functioning well. Jesus commanded the demons to leave the man, and they did (Luke 8: 26 – 39). This man was healed and was in his right mind again.

3. Restoring Peter’s relationship with God

During the trial of Jesus before he was crucified, Peter denied knowing Jesus three times (Matthew 26:69 – 75). He was very sorry and cried bitterly.

After Jesus rose from the grave, he appeared to his disciples and told Peter, “Feed my sheep” and “follow me” (John 21:15 – 19). Jesus had restored Peter back into fellowship with God. Sin breaks our relationship with God and God is always looking for how to heal and restore broken relationships.



How has God been showing His healing power to us today?

God is still working in our world, healing people of sicknesses in their bodies and mind, and restoring broken hearts and relationships caused by sin.

- **God heals us when we are sick**

When we are sick, we can pray and trust God to heal us of our sicknesses. He said, “I am the Lord God who heals you” (Exodus 15:26). This is still true today. God can use medicines and doctors to heal us. A lot of people have experienced God healing them in our world today. Can you remember any time God healed you or anyone in your family?

- **God heals our hurts and pain**

God also heals our hurts, sorrows, pain and disappointments. “He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds” (Psalm 147:3).

- **God heals our guilt and shame**

When we are guilty and filled with shame because of sin, and we confess our sins to God, He heals our hearts. God heals us and restores our broken relationship and fellowship with Him.



How should you respond to God as the healer?

God is the mighty Healer. He is Jehovah Rapha, the One who heals. Think of the many times that God has healed you and thank Him for His healing over your body, mind and soul.

Pray for people who need the healing touch of God that God will heal them too. Remember that God wants you to be in good health – so if you don't feel well, tell Him about it. Ask Him to heal you when you are sick, hurt, tired, disappointed, or feeling guilty.



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Memorize:

Psalm 103:3 – Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases.



Questions:

1. Mention three examples of God healing in the Old Testament.
2. How can you experience God's healing today?



Remember: God is the greatest Healer. He stills heals today.



Let us pray: Dear God, thank You because You are the greatest Healer. You have the power to heal every sickness in my body, soul and mind. Please heal me today of any sickness in me. I ask this in Jesus' name, amen.



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