LESSON PLAN

JESUS HEALS THE BLIND MAN

SERIES: Following Christ
THE POINT: Jesus Seeks me and Calls me to Follow Him
BIBLE STORY: Jesus Heals the Blind Man || John 9:1-12, 35-38
AGE: Grade 3 - Grade 6

ABOUT THIS LESSON

In Week 1 of the "Following Christ" series, children explore the powerful story of Jesus healing a man who was blind from birth. Through this miracle, Jesus not only restores the man's sight but also invites him into a life of faith and following Him. This lesson helps children understand that Jesus still calls people today to follow Him. Following Jesus begins with saying yes to Him and choosing to trust Him with our lives. Children will learn that deciding to follow Jesus is the best decision anyone can make.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this lesson, students will:

- Learn, understand and retell the story of Jesus healing the blind man
- Understand that Jesus is always calling them to follow Him and they can choose to say yes
- Recognise that choosing to follow Jesus is the best decision anyone can make

BIBLE CONTEXT

In John 9, Jesus meets a man who has been blind since birth. Jesus heals the man, showing God's power and compassion. As the story continues, the man faces questions and pressure from others, but he stays honest about what Jesus has done for him. Later, Jesus finds the man again and reveals that He is the Son of Man. The man responds by believing in Jesus and worshipping Him. This story shows that following Jesus is not just about receiving a miracle, but about choosing to trust and follow Him with faith and courage.

SERIES MEMORY VERSE

Matthew 16:24 (NIV) "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Pages 2-5 have a variety of different activities to add onto the Link Crew Video!

Make this toolbox your own! Use it in whatever way helps your group dive deeper into the lesson. The goal is deep understanding and great discussions.

Page Number	Name	Activity Description
2	Discussion Guide	Discussions guides, application "Faith in Action" statements and prayer pointers to help facilitate a greater discussion.
3	Activities Page	Fun, topic based activities like a craft, game, quiz and Memory verse activity that bring the learning to life.

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DISCUSSION GUIDE

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START THE CONVERSATION

"Have you ever had a mud fight with your friends? How gross is it when it gets on you?"

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS, GRADE 3 – 4

1. The blind man trusted Jesus even though Jesus told him to do something really strange. What does this teach you about trusting Jesus? How can you trust Jesus even when you don't understand everything?

2. When Jesus found the man again, the man chose to believe in Him. What does it mean to say yes to following Jesus? What is one way you can follow Jesus this week?

3. The man responded to Jesus with belief and worship. Why is worship an important part of following Jesus? How can you worship Jesus in your daily life?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS, GRADE 5 – 6

1. The man had been blind his whole life, but Jesus saw him, cared for him and revealed who He was. Sometimes we all have areas where we feel stuck, confused, afraid or spiritually blind. How can we ask Jesus to help us trust Him and follow Him, even when we do not understand everything?

2. The blind man experienced change not only physically, but spiritually as well. Why do you think following Jesus involves more than just believing facts about Him? What does following Jesus look like in everyday life?

3. Jesus personally sought out the man and invited him to believe. What does this teach you about how Jesus calls people to follow Him? How does it make you feel knowing Jesus seeks you too?

FAITH IN ACTION

Following Jesus starts with saying yes. When we choose to follow Him, He changes our lives and helps us live with purpose and hope. Think of one way you can choose to follow Jesus this week.

- "I can make the decision today to follow Christ and believe with my heart and mouth that Jesus us my lord and saviour."

If you have have made that decision and call yourself a Christian:

- "I can obey what Jesus teaches me in the bible and live more like Him."
- "I can tell others what Jesus has done for me."
- "I can take moments out of my day to worship God"

Pray

Go around the class asking your kids if there is anything they would like prayer for. Ask if anyone would like to pray for each other, and give them the opportunity to. If not, then pray for the needs as the teacher / facilitator. Remember to pray for the children to accept the call that Jesus has for everyone, to follow Him.

Take note of any prayer requests to be passed onto your child's support network.

Lesson Wrap-up

Jesus healed the blind man and invited him into a life of faith. Jesus still calls people today, like you and me, to follow Him. Saying yes to Jesus is the best decision anyone can make as aligning your life with the life that Jesus has for you is the best.

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ACTIVITIES PAGE

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ACTIVITY - JESUS CALLS ME TO FOLLOW HIM MASK

Supplies Needed: Resource Page Attached, Colouring in Pens/Pencils, scissors, String

Children will be given a mask each and asked to colour it in. They can add the colour brown to symbolise the mud that was put on the blind man's eyes. Once completed the children can grab some string and tie it to the mask and around their head so they can wear it. As the children colour in remind them that Jesus seeks after each of them to follow Him just like this blind man.

GAME - HIDE AND SEEK

Supplies Needed: Either a big room with good hiding spots or a toy per person to hide

Give the children a minute to hide themselves or their designated toy in the room. Then have yourself or another student who had their eyes closed while the toys were hidden to go and find them. Once a toy is found the person who hid it grabs it and sits to the side. At the end of the game after a few rounds remind the children that Jesus seeks us out and calls us to follow Him but it is our choice if we do so.

BIBLE QUIZ

1. True or False: The blind man had been blind his whole life. (True)

2. Multiple Choice: How did Jesus heal the man? (a)
   a) By touching his eyes with mud and asking him to wash the mud off
   b) By speaking the blindness to disappear
   c) By sending him away

3. Short Answer: What did the blind man do once he realised that Jesus was the son of God? (Believe in Him and Worship Him)

4. True or False: Jesus sought out the blind man after he was healed. (True)

5. Multiple Choice: What is the main lesson of this story? (b)
   a) Jesus performs miracles
   b) Jesus calls us to follow Him
   c) Blindness is unfair

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY: SLOW VERSE

Memory Verse: Matthew 16:24 (NIV) "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."

Have the children read independently the verse as slow as they can. Taking in each word, the meaning of the word and how does the verse relate to the theme for the series on following Christ. Then have them say the verse out loud together

GAME

You can find a list of small group games at https://lmnetwork.com.au/small-group-games/

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