

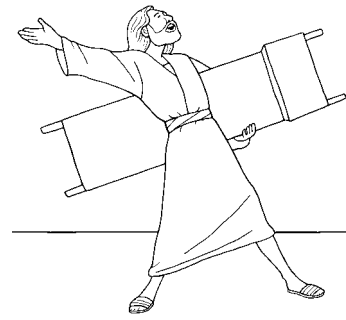
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☆Let's Talk and Wonder

SAY Some men carried their friend on a mat to see Jesus. The man was paralyzed and his friends believed Jesus could heal him. When they got to the house where Jesus was, they couldn't get through the crowd to Jesus.

ASK *What do you think the men did?*

SAY The men carried their friend up the stairs to the roof. They made a hole in the roof and lowered the man through the hole until he was right in front of Jesus.

ASK *What did Jesus do?*

SAY Jesus saw that the men trusted him. Jesus showed his authority as God when he forgave the paralyzed man's sins and then healed him. The man went home praising God and the people praised God too.

SAY I wonder if many people who saw Jesus heal the paralyzed man trusted him as God their Savior that day . . .

☆Let's Make

Give children a **half sheet of paper** each and let them draw pictures of times when they were sick or hurt. Let them **glue** their pictures on a large sheet of **poster board** with these words across the top: **Jesus my Savior takes care of me!** Talk about their pictures. Remind them that Jesus knows when we are sick, he hears our prayers, and he is the one who heals. We can trust him to take care of us.

☆Let's Pray

Lead the children in this responsive prayer. You will speak first and they are to listen to your words. When you stop speaking, they will say, "Thank you, dear Jesus."

Leader: Lord Jesus, you came to earth to be our Savior.

Children: Thank you, dear Jesus.

Leader: You showed your love by living and dying for us.

Children: Thank you, dear Jesus.

Leader: You have the power and right to forgive sins and heal sickness.

Children: Thank you, dear Jesus.

Leader: Please forgive us when we sin.

Children: Thank you, dear Jesus.

Leader: We pray in your name.

All: Amen.