

**THE CHURCH IN NEW YORK CITY**  
**CHILDREN'S MEETING LESSON (Pre-K & K)**

**Lesson #61**

**DATE:**

**SUBJECT:** Eyes Made to See - Jesus Heals a Man Who Was Blind From Birth

**SCRIPTURE:** John 9:1-11, 35-38

**AIM:** To show the children that Jesus cares for them and can help them, whatever their needs are.

**MEMORY VERSE:** Psalm 145:9 “The Lord is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.”

**Review:**

We have been learning about the wonderful miracles that the Lord Jesus did while he walked on the earth. He made the lame to walk and He made the sick well. Last week we learned about a lame man who had four friends who were strong enough and willing to take him to the Lord. This week we are going to learn about a blind man.

**Content:**

Who knows that to be blind means? When a person is blind it means he can't see. He can't see anything. Some people are born this way. Today we are going to see how the Lord took care of a blind man and made him to see.

One day there was a blind man at the side of the road. He had been born that way. I want you all to close your eyes. This is all that the man had seen his whole life, and he was a grown up. He had never seen the colorful flowers or the bright sunshine. He had never seen what a face looked like. His eyes could not see. O.K. Open up your eyes.

Sometimes when people can't see they use their hands and ears to see. Let's try and see if you can figure out what something is just by feeling it. Teachers, bring in some simple items for the children to feel and figure out. For example – pencil, cup, comb, brush, or straw. Blindfold them or have them close their eyes and have them describe the item – hard, soft, big, small, etc. – and then tell you what it is.) For a minute, we experienced what it was like to be blind. Let's see how Jesus helped the blind man.

Jesus saw this man asking for money or food. Jesus' friends were with Him. His friends thought the man must have done something wrong that made him blind. But, Jesus said that was not true. Then Jesus walked over to the man and did a very strange thing. He made some mud. We all know what mud is – don't we. Then He put the mud on the blind man's eyes. Next Jesus told the man to go wash the mud off at a certain pool.

The blind man did exactly what Jesus said. He got up and found his way to the pool and washed the mud from his eyes. When he opened his eyes something wonderful happened! He could see!! For the first time in his life, he could see!!!

When his neighbors saw him they were all surprised. They asked him how he could see. They all knew he had been blind his whole life. He told them, Yes I used to be blind but Jesus made me to see. He put mud on my eyes and told me to wash it off. I obeyed Him and now I can see.

A short time later the man met Jesus again. Jesus asked him if he believed in the Son of God. The man asked Jesus who the Son of God was so he could believe in Him. Jesus told him that He was the Son of God. Right away the man believed and worshiped Jesus.

**Application:**

The Bible says that “The Lord is good to all...” This is part of your memory verse. Jesus was good to the blind man by giving him his sight. Jesus is good to us too. He has given us many things. We all have families to love and who love us. We have houses to live in and food to eat. (Try and have the children think of others.) God cares for us in many different ways. Ways you don’t even know about. We need to believe and worship the Lord just like the blind man did.

**Craft Idea:**

Take a brown paper lunch bag and place it upside down. Draw closed eyes on the flap. Open flap and draw opened eyes. Have children finish making face, etc. on bag. The children can use these as hand puppets opening and closing the eyes.