bible Stories





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STORY 1: Peter tells people about Jesus

The Holy Spirit comes



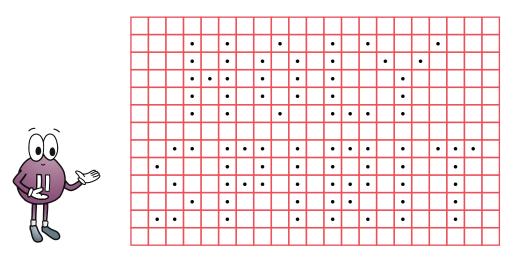


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After Jesus had died, He was raised to life again. Then, a few weeks later, He went back to Heaven. Before He left, He promised to send the Holy Spirit to help His disciples to tell the people all about Him.

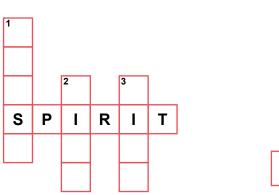
Q: Colour in each square which has a dot in it, to find the name of the Helper Jesus promised to send.



Not long afterwards, the promise came true! The disciples were in a house in Jerusalem. Suddenly, the whole place was filled with a noise like a great, rushing wind. Then, something like flames of fire settled on each man's head. What a strange experience! The Holy Spirit had come!

Q: Fill in the missing letters in the squares, using these clues.

- 1. They were in this building.
- 2. They saw what seemed like flames of this.
- 3. They heard the sound of this.





From this time onwards, the disciples of Jesus are often called by a new name.

Q: Write down the first letter of each object to find it.



When the Holy Spirit came, the apostles were able to speak in languages which they had never known before. The people were very surprised to hear so many strange sounds! Some people even said the apostles were drunk but this was not true!

Q: Put a TICK (\checkmark) or a CROSS (X) beside each of these endings to show if it is RIGHT or WRONG.

When the Holy Spirit came:

the apostles all fainted.

the apostles all got drunk.

the apostles were so frightened that they spoke to no one.

the apostles were able to speak in new languages.

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Peter preached to the crowd which had gathered. He told them they had made a great mistake in not believing in Jesus. They had rejected Him, but God had made Him both Lord and Christ. That's why Christians speak about Him as...



Q: Decorate the letters above.

Peter told the crowds that they should be really sorry about what they had done. They should now believe in Jesus. If they did so, God would forgive them.

The Bible teaches that God will also forgive us, when we believe in Jesus and are really sorry for doing wrong.





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STORY 2: Peter heals a lame man

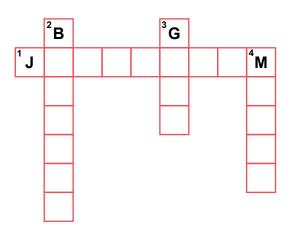
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God's healing power

Today's story is about a man who had never been able to walk. He was now over 40 years old (Acts 4: 22) and so far his life had not been easy. In Bible times, a man who was unable to walk had to beg, and every day he was carried to the gate of the Temple at Jerusalem. There he would sit all day, begging and hoping that kind people would give him some money.

Q: Write the missing words in these sentences in the Word Grid.



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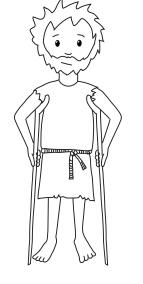
- 2. The man in the story
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- 3. He sat at the of the Temple.
- 4. People passing by gave him

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One day, just as Peter and John were going to the Temple, the man called out to them, asking for money. The two apostles stopped, and turned to face the man. "Look at us," said Peter. The lame man fixed his eyes on them, thinking they were going to give him something!

Q: Fill in the names of the two apostles.

P _____ and J ____











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Peter had no money that day, but he had something much better! "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk."

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Then Peter took his hand, and helped the man up. At that very moment, his feet and ankle bones became strong. For the first time in his life, he walked!

Q: Write TRUE or FALSE after these sentences:

Peter gave the man some money.

The power of Jesus healed him.

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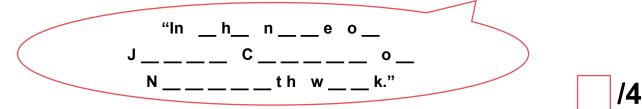
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The man got to his feet on his own.

The bones in the man's feet and ankles became strong.

The lame man was very happy! He walked about, and jumped in the air. But, most important of all, he thanked God. He knew it was by the power of Jesus he had been made well.

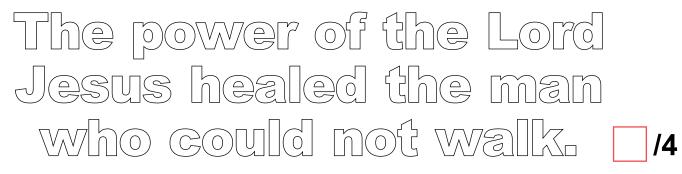
Q: Complete the words Peter said.



There was great excitement at the Temple. People were amazed at what had happened."Why are you so surprised?" said Peter, "God has healed this man through the power of Jesus."

This great miracle reminds us that Jesus, who died on the cross, is alive in Heaven. His work continues today through His followers.

Q: Decorate these words.



The Bible teaches that we too need Jesus. Only He can forgive our sins and make us ready for Heaven.





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STORY 3: Peter in prison

God helps those who serve Him.





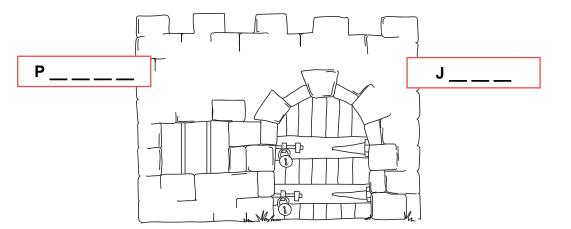
The crowd of people around Peter and John grew bigger. Peter was telling them that the man who could not walk had been healed by the power of Jesus. It was true that Jesus had died, but Peter made it clear to the people that God had raised Him from the dead.

Q: What did Peter say God had done to Jesus?



While Peter was still preaching, along came some of the men who were in charge of the Temple. They were very angry to hear Peter talking about Jesus, and telling the people that He was risen from the dead. At once, they arrested the two apostles, and put them in prison for the night.

Q: Write over the prison the names of the two apostles who were arrested.



The next morning, a large number of important Jews came together to act as a court. They would decide what should be done to Peter and John. When all were ready, the prisoners were brought in.

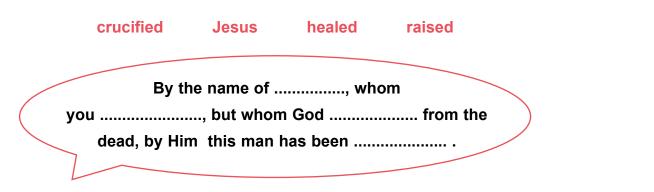
"By what power, or by what name did you do this?" they demanded. Once again it was Peter who spoke. He told the court just the same as he had told the crowd the previous evening.

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Q: Put these words in the right spaces, to show what Peter said.

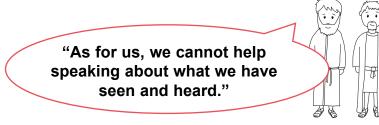


The members of the court didn't know what to do with Peter and John. They discussed the case in private. They couldn't deny that a great miracle had happened, for the healed man was standing there. The only thing they could do was to forbid them from preaching about Jesus. Having done so, they let them go.

Q: Write TRUE of FALSE after these sentences:

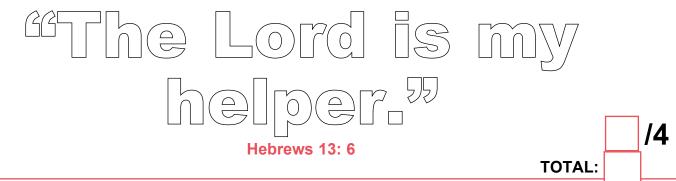
- 1. Peter and John were let go.
- 2. Peter and John escaped when the court held a private discussion.
- 3. The court thanked them for healing the man.
- 4. The apostles were told to stop preaching about Jesus.

Peter and John were full of courage. They were not frightened by all the threats. This is what they said:



The Holy Spirit was helping them to stand up for Jesus. The Bible says that He will help us, too, if we really trust Him!

Q: Decorate the Bible verse.



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How happy Peter and John must have been when they were allowed to walk free, after their trial by the court in Jerusalem! They went at once to tell the other Christians what had happened, and especially about how they had been ordered to stop speaking about their Lord and Saviour, Jesus.

Underline the RIGHT word or words in these sentences: **Q**:

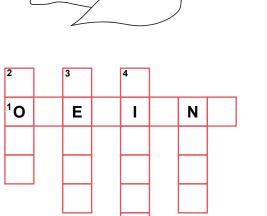
- 1. The apostles were beaten / locked up / set free by the court.
- 2. Their trial took place in **Rome / Jerusalem / Bethlehem**.
- 3. When they left the court-house, they went to see Pontius Pilate / King Herod / their christian friends.

Everyone listened carefully to the apostles' story. When they had heard it all, the big question to be answered was: 'Will we go on speaking about Jesus, or will we do as the court ordered?'

They knew that the right thing was to give Jesus first place. He had told them to spread the good news about Him all over the world. Because they loved Him, they really wanted to be obedient to Him. But that meant disobeying the court's orders. This would get them into a lot of trouble! What were they to do?

Q: Complete the WORD GRID.

- 1. Christians should always be this to Jesus.
- 2. One of the apostles.
- 3. Another apostle.
- 4. When we don't obey we do this.
- 5. The good about Jesus is for all the world.





KEY VERSE:

Acts 4: 31

someone to help you find this verse.

READ:

Acts 4: 23-31





STORY 4: Peter is set free

God answers prayer

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As they thought about what to do, they decided, very wisely, to talk to God about it. They all began to pray! They believed that God could give them courage to speak about Jesus. They also asked Him to do many more miracles, in the name of Jesus. These would prove that what they said about Jesus was true.

Q: Rearrange the jumbled letters in these sentences.

- 1. They had decided to beoy _____ Jesus, rather than the Jewish rtouc _____ .
- 2. They rpaedy _____ to God for uoagcre _____.

Sometimes we have to wait a long time for the answers to our prayers. Not so with Peter and John and their friends! God answered at once, in a very wonderful way. The whole building shook, and the Holy Spirit filled them all. With great boldness, they went out to preach God's Word.

Sometimes we have hard choices to make. The Bible shows us that it is always best to put Jesus first, and to obey Him.

Q: Colour this Bible verse.



Matthew 6: 33

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