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OVERVIEW CARD I Need Jesus

Key Question: Who do you need?

Bottom Line: I need Jesus.

Memory Verse: "You are everything I need."

Psalm 119:57 NIrV

Bible Story Focus: I can ask Jesus for help.

The Lepers Luke 17:11-19

Coloring Page: Only one man says thank-you to Jesus.

Music: Whoa I Have Life

Praise the Lord Everyday Wherever/Whatever

Bible Lesson: God's Story for Me Bible

One Man Thanks Jesus

Pages 388 to 393

Story: Thank You, God

by P.K. Hallinan

Service Time: 71 minutes (week 1)

69 minutes (week 2)

Memory Verse –

ACTIVITY 1 I Need Jesus

Ten Times

What You Need: No supplies needed

What You Do:

During the activity: Call out actions for the children to do. Each time you call out an action, count to 10 together as you do each action 10 times. Repeat actions and continue playing as long as the children are having fun. (Suggestions: Hop on two feet, hop on one foot, jumping jack, turn around, take ten steps back, take ten steps forward, pat legs, clap hands, touch the ground, pat head, etc.)

What You Say:

During the activity: "I want everyone to come stand in front of me. Before we play our game, I want us to all count to 10 together. Ready? (Count to 10.) Perfect! Okay, we're ready to play! When I call out an action, I want us to do it together 10 times. We can count out loud together while we do it. Okay, the first action is to jump 10 times! (Jump 10 times while counting to 10.) Yay! Now clap your hands 10 times! (Continue in this way as long as you wish to play the game.)

At the end of the activity: "Whew! That was fun! Our Bible lesson today was about 10 men who needed Jesus to help them. How many men needed Jesus? (Pause) Yes! Count with me one more time!" (Count to 10.)

Memory Verse –

ACTIVITY 2 I Need Jesus

Stick It to the Leader

What You Need: Red dot stickers

What You Do:

Before the activity: Give each child a small sheet of stickers. Sit or kneel in the middle of the play area with the children around you.

During the activity: Encourage the children to place their stickers all over you. (In the two's and three's you may want to use a baby doll instead of the leader.)

At the end of the activity: Tell the children that the stickers look like boo-boos and review the story.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "I love stickers! I like to wear them. Will you help me put on as many stickers as we can get on me?"

During the activity: (Hand out stickers.) "Here are your stickers. Let's see if I can wear them all!"

At the end of the activity: "WOW! Look at all of the stickers that I am wearing! With all of the red dots, it looks like I have many, many boo-boos! That is really funny because our lesson today was about 10 men who really DID have many, many boo-boos! I bet they really needed help! Do you remember who helped them? (Pause) Yes! Jesus helped them and He can help you and I too! Who do you need? (Pause.) I need Jesus!"

Memory Verse –

ACTIVITY 3 I Need Jesus

Red Spot Parachute

What You Need: Music player, 10 red plastic balls and the parachute

What You Do:

Before the activity: Lay out the parachute and have the children gather around it and pick it up. Make sure every child is holding a portion of the parachute.

During the activity: Toss the balls into the middle of the parachute while the children are holding it. Instruct the children to bring their arms up and down to make the parachute bounce the balls while the music is playing (making sure not to drop any of the balls). When the music stops, have the children Shout, 'I need Jesus,' and take one ball away. Continue until all the balls have been removed.

At the end of the activity: Talk about how we started with 10 balls (spots) like the 10 sick men, and each time the music stopped, we said, 'I need Jesus,' until there were no more spots, just like the sick men. The 10 men asked Jesus for help and He helped them.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "Look at all theses spots on the parachute! Let's count them. (Count each spot out loud.) 10 spots—just like the 10 sick men in our Bible lesson. I'm going to start some music. When the music stops, I want you to stand real still and stop shaking the parachute."

During the activity: "Are you ready? (Pause.) (Start the music.) Shake the parachute but make sure we keep all 10 spots on the parachute. (Pause the music.) Stop shaking the parachute. Now shout it with me: I need Jesus! (Repeat.) Super job! Let's take one spot away. (Remove one of the spots and start the music again.) Shake Shake Shake. (Continue until all the spots have been removed.) Wow! Look! We shaked and shouted 10 different times until all the spots were taken away."

At the end of the activity: "There were 10 sick men who asked Jesus for help and He helped them! Jesus healed all their spots! Just like the sick men needed Jesus, you and I need Jesus, too! Who do you need? (Pause.) I need Jesus!"

Memory Verse –

ACTIVITY 4 I Need Jesus

Wipe Away

What You Need: "Man" from the Activity Pages on the Website, skin-colored cardstock, clear sheet protectors, washable markers, and paper towels or dry erasers

What You Do:

Before the activity: Make a copy of "Man" on the cardstock for each child and place all copies into the sheet protectors.

During the activity: Give each child a copy of the "Man" activity page, a marker, and a paper towel. While you retell the Bible lesson, they will put "boo-boos" on the man.

What You Say:

During the activity: "Our Bible lesson today was about 10 men who needed Jesus to help them. Do you remember why they needed Jesus? (Pause.) Yes! They had boo-boos all over their bodies and they wouldn't go away! I gave each of you a man picture and a marker. I want you to draw boo-boos all over his body. (Pause for children to draw.)

"I see a lot of boo-boos! Now, when the 10 men saw Jesus, they asked Him for help. They knew they needed Jesus to make all of their boo-boos go away. And that's just what Jesus did! He made all of their boo-boos go away. Now I want you to use this paper towel to wipe away the boo-boos. (*Demonstrate*.) There! All better! Let's do that again!"

(Continue to draw boo boos and wipe them away as many times as the children want. Repeat the phrases, "The men needed Jesus," "They asked Jesus for help," and "Jesus made their booboos go away!")

At the end of the activity: "Do you know we can ask Jesus for help just like the men did in our Bible lesson? (Pause.) It's true! We need Jesus, too, and He's always there to help us. **Who do you need?** (Pause.) I need Jesus."

Memory Verse –

ACTIVITY 5 – 4's/5's I Need Jesus

Hopscotch Fun

What You Need: Painter's tape

What You Do:

Before the activity: Create a hopscotch board on the floor with the tape. This can be a traditional board or you can take a more creative approach. The squares do not have to touch each other, but make sure they are close enough for the children to jump from square to square. Be sure that your board has a beginning and an end. The board should have exactly 10 squares.

During the activity: Explain to the children that saying "thank you" to people who help them is important. Have the children line up in front of the beginning square of your board. Have the first child begin by jumping on every square until they reach the end. When they reach the last square, encourage them to say, "Thank you." Allow every child to have a turn.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "Helping people is very important. Jesus wants us to help people just like He helps us. When someone helps us, and even when Jesus helps us, we should always say 'thank you.' Let's practice saying 'thank you' today."

During the activity: (Show the children the board.) "There are 10 squares on our hopscotch board. We are going to jump 10 times because that is the number of men that Jesus healed in our lesson today. I want to see if you can jump to each square all the way to the end! You will start here (point to the first square). When you jump into the last square, say 'thank you' as loudly as you can! Are you ready?" (Allow all of the children to jump on the hopscotch board.)

At the end of the activity: "Great jumping! I love how you said 'thank you' so loudly! It is very important to say thank you when someone helps you. We should always remember to say thank you to Jesus when He helps us, too! We need Jesus so much! Who do you need? (Pause.) I need Jesus!"

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ACTIVITY 6 – 4's/5's I Need Jesus

Run Back

What You Need: 5 different colors of construction paper, masking tape, and a small bag

What You Do:

During the activity: Tape 5 different colored sheets of construction paper along one wall in your room. Space them out so there's plenty of room for the children to stand under each color in a group. Place a small piece of each color paper in a bag. Ask the children to stand with you along the wall opposite of the one with the colored paper taped to it. Draw a piece of paper out of the bag. The children will call out the color and then, at your signal, they will run and stand under that same color. Once all of the children are standing under the correct color, count to three and say, "Thank you!" together. (You can also have them answer questions from our lesson and say the memory verse and bottom line.) Ask the children to come stand with you again, draw a new color, and repeat. Continue drawing colors and playing as long as the children are having fun.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "I want everyone to come stand with me. I have a super fun game for us to play. Do you remember how the 10 men needed Jesus to help them in our Bible lesson? (Pause.) And Jesus did help them! He made all of their boo-boos go away! How many men came back to tell Jesus thank you? (Pause.) ONE! Only one man ran back to tell Jesus thank you. We're going to play a game and pretend we are running back to tell Jesus thank you. I'll pull out a piece of paper from my bag. We'll say the color, and then when I say, 'GO,' I want you to walk as fast as you can to the same color paper on that wall. When we all get there, we're going to give Jesus a big thank you!"

During the activity: "Okay, before we play, I want you to tell me the names of these colors. (Point to paper on the wall and say the colors together.) Good job! You know your colors! Now we can play! Let me pull out a color from my bag. (Hold up piece of paper.) What color is this? (Pause.) Yes! Now when I say, 'GO,' I want you to walk as fast as you can to the same color on that wall. On your mark! Get set! GO! (Wait for all the children to get to wall.) What did the man say when He ran back to Jesus? (Pause.) One, two, three ... THANK YOU, JESUS! Yay! Now come back and stand with me and we'll do it again." (Say something similar each time you call out a color. Continue as long as the children are having fun.)

At the end of the activity: "Whew! That was fun! Come sit with me and rest. You know, the men in our Bible story aren't the only people who need Jesus. We need Jesus, too! I need Jesus and you need Jesus. Who do you need? (Pause.) I need Jesus. That's right! We can always ask Jesus for help. And what do we tell Jesus when He helps us? (Pause.) Thank you! You got it!"

Memory Verse –

CRAFT – WK 1 I Need Jesus

Handprint Men

What You Need: "Men" from the Activity Pages on the website, beige cardstock, black marker, crayons, and small happy face stickers

What You Do:

Before the activity: Copy the "Men" Activity Page onto the cardstock.

During the activity: With the marker, trace both of the child's hands onto the Activity Page. Give each child 10 happy face stickers and instruct them to place the stickers on the fingertips of each of the handprints. Allow the children to use the crayons to decorate each of the 10 "men."

At the end of the activity: Help the child count the "men" and write a number 10 to complete the sentence on the bottom of the page.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "Today in our lesson, Jesus healed 10 men! Let's use our hands to make a picture of the men!"

During the activity: (Trace the children's hands) "There are the men's bodies. Now we need to give them faces! (Hand out the happy face stickers.) We can use these! Place a sticker on the top of every finger to give each of the 10 men a face. Great job! Now use your crayons to color clothes and shoes on the men."

At the end of the activity: "Perfect! Now let's count the men together. (Count the finger men together by pointing to the fingers as you count.) Yes, there are 10! Now there is a sentence on the bottom of the page that says, 'Jesus healed blank men.' What do you think we should write in the blank? (Pause.) Yes—10. Use your crayon to write a 1 and a 0. Great! A 1 and a 0 makes a 10! Awesome job! Jesus helped the men just like He helps us! We need Jesus! Who do you need? (Pause.) I need Jesus!"

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CRAFT - WK 2 I Need Tooms

Heal the Heart

What You Need: "Heart" from the Activity Pages on the Website, white cardstock, several boxes of children's Band-Aids, crayons and/or markers

What You Do:

Before the activity: Copy the "Heart" Activity Page onto the cardstock; make one copy for each child. Remove the wrappers from the Band-Aids[®]. (Be sure not to remove the covers to the adhesive part of the Band-Aids.)

During the activity: Give each child a heart and 3-4 Band-Aids[®]. After the children have colored their pictures, encourage them to stick the Band-Aids[®] to their hearts.

At the end of the activity: Ask the children for help in picking up and disposing of the adhesive covers.

What You Say:

Before the activity: "Do you remember our memory verse for this month? (Pause.) Great! Let's say it together! 'You are everything I need,' Psalm 119:57. Awesome job! Our verse is written on this heart. It says (point to the words as you read), 'You are everything I need,' Psalm 119:57."

During the activity: "Jesus gives us everything we need and He helps us. That is what our verse is telling us. Let's decorate the heart with Band-Aids[®]! That way when we are practicing the verse at home, we will be reminded about how Jesus helped the men with sores on their bodies in our lesson today!" (Hand out hearts and allow the children to work.)

At the end of the activity: "Great job! Now can you all be good helpers and help me pick up the little pieces of paper from the Band-Aids[®]? (*Pause.*) Thank you so much! You are such wonderful helpers. We all need help sometimes. Jesus is always there to help! He is everything that we need, just like our verse says! Let's say it again together! 'You are everything I need,' Psalm 119:57. AGAIN! 'You are everything I need,' Psalm 119:57. Awesome! **Who do you need?** (*Pause.*) I need Jesus!"

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SMALL GROUP

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Small Group Time

What you Need: Provide a "Small Group" poster and a marker for each small group. You will also need reward stickers for the memory verse and a small heart sticker for each child for the "Small Group" poster.

SMALL GROUP LEADER (SGL): "Jesus helped some people in our Bible lesson today that no one else would even talk to. They had boo-boos all over their bodies and people thought they were gross. I would be so sad if I had no friends and no one wanted to talk to me. Would that make you sad? (*Pause.*) Sure, it would! But the men in our lesson knew Jesus was different. They knew they could ask Him for help ... and they did! What did Jesus do when the men asked for help? (*Pause.*) Jesus helped them! He made all of their boo-boos go away!

"You know what that means? (Pause.) We can ask Jesus for help, too! It doesn't matter who you are or how big the problem is; we all need Jesus. **Who do you need?**"

CHILDREN and SGL: "I need Jesus."

SGL: "That's right! You need Jesus. I need Jesus. We all need Jesus.

"Okay, it's time to say our memory verse. We'll say it one time together with the motions, and then anyone who wants to say it by yourself can have a chance to do so."

CHILDREN and SGL: "You are everything I need,' Psalm 119:57."

SGL: "Good job! Okay, who wants to give it a try and say it all by yourself?"

(Give each child the opportunity to say the verse on their own. Have your stickers ready to give when they say it.)

SGL: "I am so proud of you! Now I want to do something special on my "Small Group" poster. I want each of you to write your name. Then I'm going to give you a heart sticker to put beside your name. When it's your turn to put on a heart sticker, we're all going to say, 'Jesus loves *(child's name)'*."

(Let the children take turns writing their names on the "Small Group" poster. Give the children a heart sticker to hold. When you call their name, let them put their heart sticker beside their name and lead everyone in saying, "Jesus loves (child's name).")

SGL: "Jesus loves you very much. He knows you need Him. Whenever you need help, just ask Him. He hears you and has the power to help you. Let's pray and thank God right now for giving us Jesus."

Memory Verse –