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Seeing is Believing

A blind man sat beside the road and begged. He had been born blind. There was nothing else he could do to support himself.

Sometimes he wondered why he was born blind. He thought it was his parents' fault. People back then believed that sickness, blindness, and other problems came to people who sinned.

He heard a crowd of people coming closer. "Please give! Please give!" the blind beggar cried. "Help the poor blind among you."

He heard a man ask, "Who sinned? This man or his parents? Why was he born blind?" The blind man strained his ears. He wanted to hear the answer. "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but this happened to bring praise to God."

Then the blind man felt some mud being put on his eyes. In a kind voice Jesus said, "Go and wash your eyes in the Pool of Siloam."

The blind man obeyed. Someone led him to the pool. He washed off the mud. The sun was shining! He could see people! Colors painted the whole world!

When people asked him how he was able to see, he told them what Jesus had done. (See John 9:11.)

Jesus had healed the blind man on the Sabbath. Some people were not happy about that. The leaders said that Jesus broke the Sabbath. Others said Jesus was bad, so He could not have made a

blind person see. They tried to show that the blind man's healing wasn't real. But the man who was born blind said to them, "One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see! If Jesus is not from God, He could not open the eyes of a man born blind."

The leaders became very angry with the healed man. They believed that he was born blind because he was a sinner. And they did not want this healed man telling people what Jesus had done for him. So they put the man born blind out of their church.

Jesus heard about this, and He looked for the man. When He found him, He said, "Would you like to believe in the Son of Man?"

"Who is He, sir?" the man asked.

Jesus said, "You have now seen Him; in fact, He is the one speaking with you."

The man said, "Lord, I believe." Then he fell on his knees and worshipped Jesus.

Jesus told him, "I came to this world to make the blind see, and to show some who think they see how blind they are."

The man born blind shared with others what Jesus had done for him. He even told those who didn't love Jesus. Have you shared with someone what Jesus has done for you?



Seeing is Believing Questions

Was the blind man born blind because of what his parents did?
Explain.

How was the blind man able to see again?

On what day did Jesus heal the blind man?

Why did Jesus heal the blind man? Explain.



Seeing is Believing Coloring Page



Jesus Heals a Man Born Blind



Seeing is Believing Craft

Blind Man Bartimaeus Craft



You will need:
Scissors
Glues ticks
Yarn
Crayons/colored pencils
2 Paper plates
Pop sickle stick
2 Googly eyes

Steps

1. Gather all materials needed.
2. Cut a space for the eyes in the 1st plate as shown in the picture.
3. Decorate your 1st plate with yarn and crayons, to illustrate the blind man's face.
4. On the 2nd plate paste your googly eyes under the flaps that were cut out in the 1st plate. Be sure to measure correctly.
5. Paste your 2 plates together. Make sure that they are lined up correctly.
6. Add your pop sickle stick between both plates and secure it with glue or another material of your choosing.
7. Add any finishing touches and let your craft dry.
8. When it is dry enjoy!

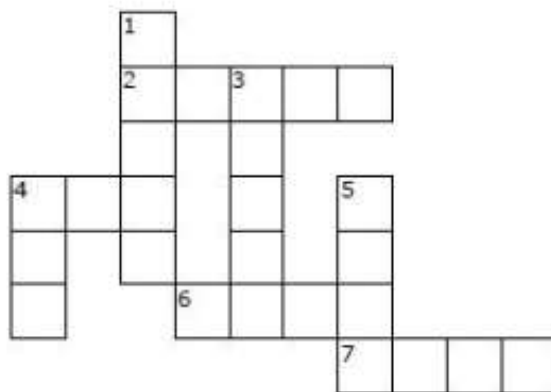


Seeing is Believing Puzzle

Jesus Heals a Blind Man

So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. John 9:7 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on John 9:1-34 (NIV)



ACROSS

2. Brightness that comes from the sun, candles, or electrical devices that allows things to be seen
4. An adult male human being
6. The two organs in your face which are used to see
7. To make someone well from a sickness or injury

DOWN

1. Unable to see
3. Great admiration, honour and praise, especially as given to God
4. A sticky mixture of dirt and water
5. To clean something using water

LIGHT	BLIND	GLORY	MUD	
WASH	EYES	MAN	HEAL	

