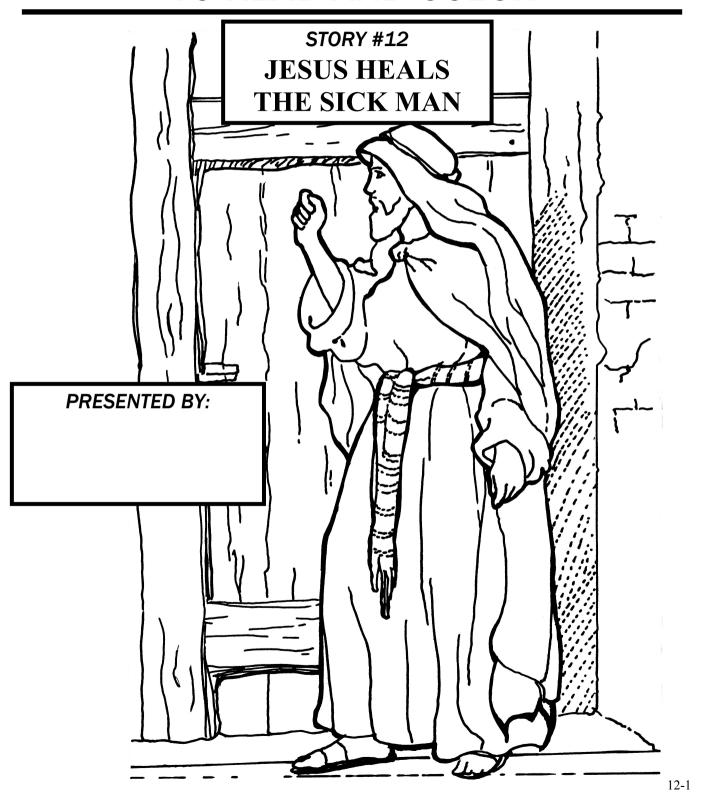
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# BIBLE STORIES FOR CHILDREN TO READ AND COLOR





### JESUS HEALS THE SICK MAN

**LUKE 5: 17-26** 

One day Jesus was preaching in a house and the house was so packed with people that nobody could come in. Some people were standing outside because they could not get into the house. Along came some people carrying a sick friend on a bed. Since they could not get into the house through the door, they took an outside stairway and went up on the flat roof. They removed some tiles and lowered their sick friend right down in front of Jesus. When Jesus saw the sick man He said: "Your sins are forgiven." Later He said: "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." Immediately the sick man got out of bed and was able to walk again.

There were people in the house who did not believe in Jesus. They said that Jesus could not forgive sin, only God could do that. Jesus showed that He was God by completely and at once curing the sick man. Jesus reminded the people that to forgive sins was God's work just as much as healing the sick was also God's work. Jesus is the great doctor who can heal the sick and who came into the world to save sinners.

#### **PRAYER**

Dear Jesus, when we get sick we ask you to heal us. When we do what is wrong we ask you to forgive us. We know that you love us, because you died for us. Amen

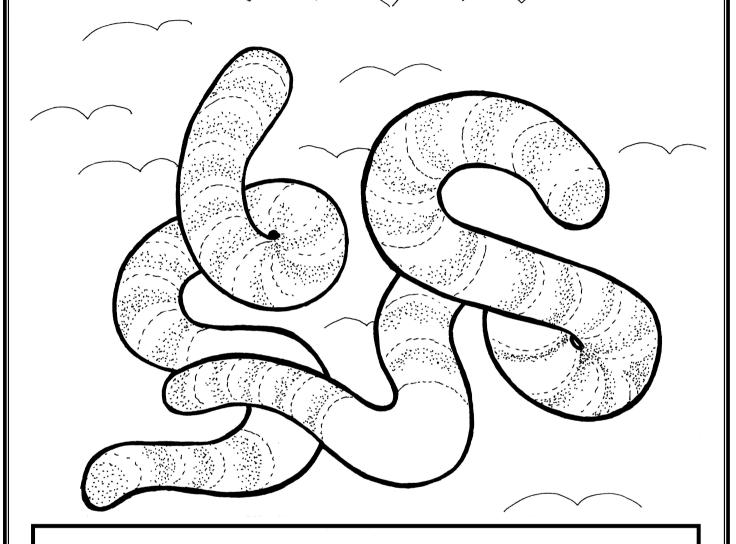
### Bible passage for older children to memorize:

MATTHEW 9: 12, 13

Jesus said: "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick . . . I have not come to call the righteous (godly) but sinners."

#### ANIMALS FROM THE BIBLE

## **WORM**



Worms are very useful creatures. They eat dead things which keep the ground clean and they help the soil.

In the Bible, worms are used to talk about being sick or dying. This is because some worms do hurt people and animals and they do not stop eating until they die.

#### LUKE 5:20-25

When Jesus saw their faith. He said. "Friend, your sins are forgiven." The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, "Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy (against God)? Who can forgive sins but Jesus knew what they God alone?" were thinking and asked, "Why are you thinking these things in you hearts? Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins . . . He said to the paralyzed man, 'I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.' " Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God.

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