



# SMALL GROUP GUIDE

**Healing**  
We can pray for  
God to heal others

# Healing Leader Guide

## Engage:

Print two copies of pictures of items that are used when someone is sick or injured, such as Band-Aids, ace bandages, medicines, doctor, stethoscope, cross, etc.

Divide the kids into two groups. Explain that teams will race to match all the medical supplies. When one group finds all the matches, explain how these items could help someone who is sick or hurt. (Example: Band-Aids keep a cut clean, ace bandages support a sprain, a doctor prescribes medicine, and Jesus died on the cross to comfort and heal us.)

## Discuss:

**Have the kids open up their Bibles and read together Mark 7:31-37**

In the Bible story today, we see that the people are asking Jesus to lay hands on a man so that he would be healed. When Jesus touched the man's ears, he could hear immediately, and he could speak clearly! The man was completely healed, and Jesus performed a miracle that day. God still heals today! Sometimes He uses a doctor to bring healing; sometimes He uses Band-Aids and medicine.

—Both Jesus and other people can help those who are sick or hurt. How are these two kinds of help the same? How are they different?

—How do you think the deaf man felt when he could hear and speak?

—How could you help someone who is hurt or sick?

—When was a time God healed you, someone you know, or someone you've read about?

## Response:

Give each of the kids a Band-Aid and have them think about someone in their life who may need healing. They can use a marker and write down the name on their Band-Aid. As they are praying for that person, have the kids put the Band-Aid on the cross. You could either use a stand-up cross or print out a picture of the cross. After everyone prays on their own, pray as a group over all of the prayer requests.

## Memorize:

**"O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you restored my health." (Psalm 30:2, NLT)**

Give the kids some toilet paper and have them wrap a volunteer up as a mummy. As they are working, have the kids say the memory verse out loud. Tell the volunteer to break free and say the verse one more time.

## Create:

Have the kids think about someone they can pray for that may be sick or hurting. Give them craft supplies and ask them to create an "I'm Praying For You" card or craft that they can give to them this week.

If a child is not able to think of someone, then have kids use the time to create an encouragement card for someone and commit to praying for that person.

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What was the Big Idea?

We can \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_ others!

Ask your friends and family if they have any prayer requests. Commit this week to spend time praying for them!

Memory Verse:

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and you restored my health.

Psalm 30:2, NLT