

Discussion Questions Jesus Heals the Sick

- 1. What was wrong with Simon Peter's mother-in-law sick in the verses we talked about today? She had a high fever
- 2. Have you ever had a high fever? Maybe a fever of 103 or 104? What did that feel like?
- 3. When Jesus found out the lady in our story was sick, what did he do? Jesus healed Peter's Mother-in-law from the fever!
- 4. How do you think Peter felt after seeing Jesus heal his family? Really really excited!
- 5. How would you have felt if you were the lady that got healed? Really happy because I wasn't sick anymore!
- 6. After people heard about what Jesus did for Peter's mother in-law, what did all the other people in that town do?

 They started bringing all their sick family and friends to Jesus.
- 7. After Jesus left them, what did he tell the people he had to go do?

 Go and tell other people how much God loves them. Jesus came to show us how much he loves us.
- 8. Why is this so important to us? Because Jesus later, tells his disciples and us to go do the same thing that Jesus did. This is the coolest part! Jesus healed people who were sick and he still does. We can pray for people who are sick and God can heal them.
- 9. Ask your kiddos if they can think of anyone who is sick. Take a moment to pray together for each person you know who is sick. Be prepared to pray for lots of sick pets too!

Note for parents and caregivers about talking to kids about healing:

Sometimes kids (and adults!) have lots of questions about why God heals some people and not others. These are hard questions to answer! Here are some helpful hints when talking with your kids about healing:

- Jesus has the power to heal ALL diseases. No sickness is too big for God!
- When he died on the cross for our sin he broke Satan's power over our world and started the process of making everything that hurts better.
- God is the King. His kingdom is in heaven and here on earth. He is making life on earth better now and someday when Jesus returns all sickness and death go away, but not yet.
- Right now there are still hard things that happen in our world. God has a good plan for our lives and sometimes we don't understand everything that happens but God does.
- Our job is to obey God by believing that he is good and praying for the people we meet who are hurting or sick.
- God's job is to heal the people we pray for. Sometimes Jesus heals them here on earth and sometimes he doesn't. This is hard for all of us to understand and Jesus asks us to trust him with the things we don't understand.