

CHRIST THE PHYSICIAN

THE LIFE OF CHRIST WITH SAINT LUKE



JESUS HEALED MANY PEOPLE

Luke 14:1-6

Do you like being sick or having an owie? The people during Jesus' time didn't either! There were people who couldn't walk (**the paralytic**), people who had really bad sores all over their bodies (**lepers**), people who were super swollen (**the man with dropsy**), people whose hands couldn't move like yours and mine (**the man with a withered hand**), people who were sick with a high fever (**Peter's mother-in-law**), people who were hunched over and needed help walking (**the**

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GOAL

Who is the Physician of our souls and bodies?

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AT CHURCH

Holy Communion
Holy Confession
Holy Unction

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AT HOME

Reading the Bible;
Prayer; Fasting;
Almsgiving



Class routine:
Move my photo from
"home" to "church"



Class routine:
Light a candle -
respectfully
prayerfully
without playing



Class routine:
Venerate our icon



Sing "Lord have
mercy" in
English, Greek,
Arabic, Romanian

crippled woman), and people with all sorts of other problems - and Jesus healed all of them that came to Him and wanted His help!

Option 1:

Hold up one icon at a time and briefly tell the kids about it.

Option 2:

Place the icons on the table and ask the kids to find one at a time.

For example -

Who can find the icon where Jesus heals the man with the withered hand? Now, this man's hand is not going to be able to do all the things your hands can do because something happened to it. Which icon looks like there's a man who has a problem with his hand?

Who can find the icon where Jesus heals the lepers? Leprosy is when a person has really bad sores all over their body. Which icon looks like someone has cuts or sores on their skin?



Option 3:

Stand all of the kids and yourself in a circle and give them and yourself one icon to hold.

Lead by looking at your icon for a minute and then turn it around for them to see. Tell them as much as you can about the icon you are holding.

Ask the child next to you to do the same and refocus them if they go off topic. Ask guiding questions if they need help: Is Jesus on your icon? Where is He? Point to the person on your icon who Jesus is helping. Then ask guiding questions specifically for that child's icon to help them tell the class about the icon.

Then have everyone switch and try again!

EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

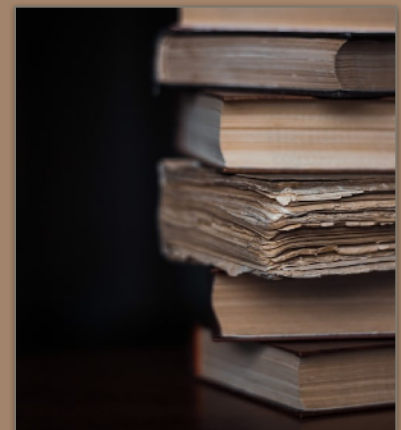
The Gospel of Luke: Good News for the Poor by Fr. Lawrence Farley, pages 272 - 284

The Explanation of the Holy Gospel According to Luke by Blessed Theophylact, pages 178 - 191

What is Shabbat? (Sabbath) - [Jewish Virtual Library](#)

[The Names of Jesus](#) Podcast by Fr. Thomas Hopko

YouTube: [Fr. Vasile's Sermon for the Feast of the Presentation of Christ into the Temple](#) (start 17:55)



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Sometimes you might hear a grown up say that the Church is a hospital. That's because sometimes we can see our owies, sometimes we can't. We receive Holy Unction on Holy Wednesday every year. Father will anoint us with holy oil on our face and hands. This is done to help us heal from our illnesses.

We also start going to confession when we are around 7 years old. We tell our sins to Father and he reads special prayers over us asking God to forgive us. We tell God sorry for the things we have done that we shouldn't have done.

We can ask mom or dad to read to us from the Bible and we'll learn all about Jesus' life and the miracles He did! Mom and dad might even read us some stories about the lives of the saints too!

Who is going to ask mom and dad to read to them from the Bible tonight at bedtime?

ACTIVITY:

Pull out one of the file folder activities and work on it together.

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AT HOME

FOR PARENTS

Listen, I entreat you, all that are careful for this life, and procure books that will be medicines for the soul...get at least the New Testament, the Apostolic Epistles, the Acts, the Gospels, for your constant teachers. If grief befalls you, dive into them as into a chest of medicines; take from there comfort for your trouble, be it loss, or death, or bereavement of relations; or rather do not merely dive into them but take them wholly to yourself, keeping them in your mind.

St. John Chrysostom
Homily IX on Colossians

Additionally, St. John Chrysostom teaches us in *An Address on Vainglory & the Right Way for Parents to Bring Up Their Children*:

1. Tell our children a story from the Bible
2. Then retell the same story to your child, until they know the story well
3. Ask your child to narrate the story back to you
4. Then explain the story to your child and how it benefits them
5. "This is not all. Go, leading him by the hand in church and pay heed particularly when this tale is read aloud. You will see him rejoice and leap with pleasure because he knows what the other children do not know, as he anticipates the story, recognizes it, and derives great gain from it. And hereafter the episode is fixed in his memory."

HOME ACTIVITY #15

Preparation for Holy Confession: [Children and Repentance](#)

[Icons of the Miracles of Christ from a Serbian Monastery](#)











