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JESUS HEALED A MAN WHO WAS BLIND

GAME TIME

MAKE MUD DOUGH

Walk around outside and gather dirt in a bowl. Place the bowl down on the ground and add water. Encourage children to begin mixing the mud inside the bowl. Invite children to play with their dough. Maybe suggest they form the letter J for Jesus! If desired, leave the mud in the sun to dry out.

SAY: *Playing with mud can be fun sometimes. In today's Bible story, Jesus healed a man who could not see by doing something surprising. He gathered some dirt in His hand and spit on it to make mud. Then Jesus put the mud on the man's eyes and told him to wash it off. After the man washed, he worshiped Jesus because he could see. Jesus helps us to see what is true so we can know God and be freed from sin.*

BIBLE STORY

John 9

Jesus was walking with His disciples when He saw a man who had been born blind. The disciples asked, "Teacher, why was this man born blind? Did this happen because he sinned or because his parents sinned?"

Jesus answered, "Sin did not cause this. This man was born blind so that people could see God's power." Jesus also said, "While I am in the world, I am the light of the world."

Then Jesus spit on the ground. He made mud and put it on the eyes of the man who was blind. "Go and wash in the pool of Siloam," Jesus told him. The man went and washed. When he came back, he could see!

The man's neighbors were amazed. They took the man to the religious leaders. "How did this happen?" they asked.

"The man called Jesus put mud on my eyes," he said. "I washed, and now I can see."

The religious leaders did not want to believe that Jesus could give sight to people who were blind. Again, the man who was healed told the religious leaders what happened. He believed Jesus must have come from God. But the religious leaders threw the man out of the synagogue.

Jesus found the man and asked, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?"

The man answered, "Tell me who He is so I can believe in Him."

"You have already seen Him," Jesus said. "The Son of Man is talking to you now."

The man said, "I believe, Lord!" and he worshiped Jesus.

GUESS THE ITEM

Gather a variety of small items and place each item in bag. Invite kids to put their hand inside the bag and encourage them to guess each item. Reveal the contents of the bag after children have guessed.

SAY: *It's not easy to know what something is when you can't see it. Jesus healed a man who could not see. Sin keeps us from seeing what is true about God in our hearts. Jesus helps us see what is true so we can know God.*

