Story: Jesus Heals a Blind Man

Bible Reference: Luke 18:35-43

YOU WILL NEED: Signs for: *Jesus, Blind Beggar, Crowd, Crowd* (2 signs for *Crowd*)— Hole punch these signs and use yarn to make a sign that will hang around a student's neck.

## **BIBLE LESSON**

*SAY*: Imagine what it would be like to be totally blind. That's what our lesson is about today—someone who was totally blind

<u>Choose 4 volunteers</u> who are willing to help you act out the Bible Story.

Give them the following signs: *Jesus, Blind Beggar, Crowd, Crowd*.

Have the *Blind Beggar* sit off to your side with the two *Crowd* volunteers between you and he and have *Jesus* to your other side.

(NOTE: As you read the verses, lead the volunteers in what to say. Keep this fast-paced and with high energy.)

SAY: The following story is from the Bible and I will be helping our volunteers with some special speaking parts.

BIBLE: As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging.

BLIND MAN: "Beg, Beg, Beg"

BIBLE: When he heard the crowd going by...

CROWD: "Excuse me. Pardon me. Excuse me. Pardon me."

BIBLE: He asked them what was happening.

BLIND MAN: "Hey, what's up?"

BIBLE: They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by."

CROWD: "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by."

BIBLE: He called out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

BLIND MAN: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

BIBLE: Those who had led the way rebuked him and told him to be guiet...

CROWD: "Hey, blind man, hush up! Put a sock in it."

BIBLE: But he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

BLIND MAN: (Shouting) "Son of David, have mercy on me!" (Do it again—louder)

BIBLE: Jesus stopped and ordered them man to be brought to him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?"

JESUS: "What do you want me to do for you?"

BIBLE: "Lord, I want to see," he replied.

BLIND MAN: "Lord, I want to see,"

BIBLE: Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has healed you."

JESUS: "Receive your sight; your faith has healed you."

BIBLE: Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they also praised God.

Give our volunteers a hand. Great job!

*SAY*: Even though the blind man was different—even though he was blind and was a beggar— Jesus still cared for him.

<u>Ask the students</u>: Do you know someone who gets treated badly because they're different?

Ask the students: Do you know someone who gets picked on or teased?

Ask the students: How can you show Jesus' care for them?

SAY: Jesus loved the blind man and did something great for Him.

<u>Ask the students</u>: **What is something great God has done in your life?** (He saved you, takes care of you, etc.)

*SAY*: Anything is possible for God—to make blind eyes see; to make crippled people walk; to heal any sickness. But Jesus doesn't just care about the big things—He cares about everything in your life, no matter how small it might seem.

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