

The Gospel of Luke - Lesson 8

Luke 4:42-5:26

Introduction and Background

Jesus prayed often. Here we see that He prayed before He chose His first disciples. After performing a miracle and calling His first disciples, Jesus healed a man with leprosy. The final section shows Jesus healing a man who was paralyzed and could not walk.

Warm Up

Do you pray? How would you define prayer? Why do you think Jesus prayed?

Read [Luke 4:42-44](#)

1. Where did Jesus go? What did He do there? What was His answer when people tried to stop Him from leaving the area?

Read [Luke 5:1-11](#)

2. What sea did Jesus approach? What was by the water's edge?
3. Who did Jesus talk to and what did He ask him to do? What happened?
4. What had the fishermen been doing all night? Did they have any success?
5. What happened when Simon obeyed Jesus?
6. What did the Simon Peter do and say next? Why do you think He did this? (verse 8)
7. What did Jesus say to the Simon Peter and the others?
8. What do you think it means to "follow" Jesus?

Read [Luke 5:12-16](#)

9. What was wrong with the man Jesus met in the village? What did the man ask Jesus?
10. After Jesus healed the man, what did He tell him to do?
11. Why did the crowds of people come?

Read [Luke 5:17-26](#)

12. Who was sitting nearby when Jesus was teaching?
13. What was wrong with the man that some people brought to Jesus?
14. Were the friends able to reach Jesus with the paralyzed man? What did they do?
15. What did Jesus say in verse 20? Does this surprise you?
16. What did the Pharisees and teachers think? Does this surprise you?
17. Jesus asks the question "Is it easier to say, 'Your sins are forgiven, or 'Stand up and walk'? What do you think? Why do you think Jesus asked this question? What did Jesus prove by healing the man?

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Chat about these words from the passage:

isolated/begged/pressed/on the verge/sinking/awestruck/advanced case/leprosy /paralyzed.

Synonym Match (The words on the left are from the passage)

isolated	at once
awestruck	pleaded
begged	astonished
immediately	deserted
searched	hunted

For Discussion:

What can you do to have your sins forgiven? Which is more important; to be forgiven or to be healed?

Have you chosen to follow Jesus? Why did you chose to make that decision?

Notes:
