

Healing the Paralyzed Man Script from Mark 2:1-12

Characters: Jesus, paralyzed man, four friends, crowd of people

Directions	Reading
Townspople and Jesus crowd into the house. Jesus sits in the corner, near the chairs. Leave a space for the paralyzed man to be lowered in front of him.	When He entered Capernaum people heard Jesus was in the house. Immediately many gathered to see Him until there was no room in the house, not even near the door.
Jesus spreads His hands, teaching.	And He preached the Word to them.
Four children carry the doll on the towel towards the house.	Then four men carried a paralyzed man to Jesus.
Have children go to the door, and then move up on to the "roof" (chairs), behind Jesus.	And when they could not get close to Jesus because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was.
Let the doll down on the towel in front of Jesus. Once the doll reaches the ground, replace the doll with a child.	When they had broken through the roof, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying.
Jesus talks to the paralyzed man.	When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you."
All looking at Jesus.	Some people thought, "Only God can forgive sins."
Jesus puts hands up in questioning manner.	Jesus knew what they were thinking and said, "Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk?'"
Jesus points to the paralytic.	And He said to the paralytic, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house."
The "paralyzed man" picks up the towel and leaves.	Immediately he got up, picked up his bed, and went out.
All look at each other in amazement.	All were amazed and praised God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"