

Healing the Lame Man

Matthew: Today's story is about two men, Peter and John.

Mary: Wasn't Peter the guy who was in jail, and the angel came and let him out? I love that story.

Matthew: Me too, but this is a different story.

Mary: Is this the one where Peter walked on water?

Matthew: No, not that story.

Mary: The one where Peter was in the boat and a storm came and the boat was sinking and Jesus told the storm to hush? That was an amazing story.

Matthew: Mary, it isn't that one either! Arrrggghh! Would you please let me tell the story?

Mary: Ok, I'll quit interrupting you.

Matthew: In this story Peter and John go to the temple to worship God.

Mary: A temple is like a church, right?

Matthew: Right. When they went to the temple, they saw a man sitting on the steps who couldn't walk. He didn't even have a wheelchair!

Mary: That's terrible!

Matthew: So he asked people who came to the temple for money...

Mary (interrupting): To buy a wheelchair?

Matthew: I thought you were going to stop interrupting! No, they didn't have wheelchairs back then. He needed money for food. So when Peter and John came up he asked them for money.

Mary: Did they give him some money?

Matthew: No, they didn't have any. But Peter said, " I'll give you something even better."

Mary: A wheelchair, right? God created a wheelchair right there out of thin air.

Matthew: No silly!

Mary: So he told him about Jesus, right?

Matthew: Jesus is sure better than money. But Peter said," In the name of Jesus, get up and walk!"

Mary: But he couldn't walk!

Matthew: But guess what? (turns to audience) Boys and girls, can you guess? He got up and walked! Not only that, but he started jumping up and down, he was so happy!

Mary: So Jesus healed him and helped him walk! That really changed his life!

Matthew: It sure did. Lots of people saw him jumping up and down, after he'd never been able to walk before. So Peter told the people about Jesus, that he healed the lame man He told them that Jesus loved everyone.

Mary: So Jesus changed lots of people's lives!

Matthew: Yes He did, and He's still changing people's lives today. Time for us to go, Mary.

Mary: Yeah I know. Remember boys and girls, Jesus' love can change your life too! Bye now!

Matthew: Bye!

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