

Day 2 Overview - Men bring their friend to Jesus for healing. Luke 5:17–26

It's likely that they'd heard the buzz.

"That guy, Jesus—have you seen what he can do?"

"I was there! He touched the leper and instantly healed him!"

"The teacher from Nazareth? People say he even has power over demons!"

The stories sounded wild enough that the four desperate friends had to give it a try. After all, if Jesus could heal lepers and cast out evil spirits, surely he could heal their paralyzed friend. But after carrying their friend to the house in Capernaum, the men realized they weren't the only ones in town who wanted to see Jesus. The crowd spilled out of the house and into the street!

That didn't stop these determined men. Jesus could heal their friend, so they had to bring him to Jesus. With extra resolve and a bit of creative problem-solving, the four friends hoisted their buddy up the outside stairs to the roof. There, they tore a hole through the clay and straw and carefully lowered their friend down to Jesus.

The kids who come to your VBS probably won't face the physical challenge of carrying a friend, like the men in the Bible. But they may struggle internally with the challenge of helping and serving others. It's hard to put others first. It's work to show God's love. Service can be just as hard as digging that hole in the roof. Today, guide kids in exploring what it means to demonstrate determined love for others and consider who in their world needs God's transforming love.



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Craft 1 – Prayer Box



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Craft 2 – Salvation Bracelets

