

LEARNER TAKE-HOME SHEET: HEALING OF THE LAME MAN

Acts 3–4



KEY WORDS

Keep a family white board someplace near the dinner table, and write these words on it. Try writing a family definition for each one during the week.

POWER

HEALING

PRAYER

Take this sheet home and keep it someplace near the dinner table like on the fridge. At least three times next week at dinner, use Prayer Time and one other family activity to make your confirmation learning come alive!

PRAYER TIME

God of courage and healing, we fail to remember that you can fill the emptiness of fear inside us. Help us to go to you to find purpose for our lives and the courage to do what we don't think we can do. We are saddened, O God, by the illness we see in this world. Bring healing to _____. Help us to be part of your healing in faithful and powerful ways. We feel helpless in the face of so much pain. Comfort us with your peace so we may share it with another. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

TALK TIME

- The name of Jesus proved to be a powerful tool in Acts 3. How do we speak the name of Jesus in our home? Is our family comfortable talking to each other about who Jesus was and what we believe to be true about Jesus? Do we have a cross or a picture of Jesus in our home? What would a picture of Jesus say about us to people who visit?
- The story of Peter and John in Acts begins and ends with prayer. What are our family prayer rituals at meals, in the morning or evening, at times of departure? Sometimes prayer practices fall out of use and need to be renewed.
- Who does our family know who needs healing? Identify a person or family and then work together to make a meal for him or her. Arrange with the person or family to deliver the meal at an appropriate time, and also plan to spend a short time visiting.



WEB TIME

Use an Internet search engine to search for the key words listed on this page, noting some of the more interesting information that you find. Then do a search for Bishop Oscar Romero to learn about his faith story.

RITUAL TIME

Light a candle and speak the names of people each family member knows who need healing. Leave a space of silence after each name to imagine her or him in God's embrace. Close with a simple benediction for your family and the people for whom you prayed: **May God bless and keep us. Amen**