

Peter Heals



Peter reached out for the man's hand, and suddenly the man's feet and ankles and legs grew strong!

READ IT

This week's Bible story is
Peter Heals
from Acts 3:1-16.

We can pray for God's healing.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Peter
- John
- The man who couldn't walk
- Jesus
- Food
- Temple gate

The Jewish custom of prayer during Peter's time dictated that people pray at 9:00am, noon, and 3:00pm each day — in the temple, if possible. This might be where Peter and John were headed when they ran into the man who couldn't walk.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

Spark Story Bible pages 506-509

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Family Prayer

Say this prayer together while everyone gives each other a bandage.

Thank you, God, for all of the healing and making new that you do in our world. Remind us to watch for these things, pray for these things, and join you in this important work. In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 If you couldn't walk, how would you get around?
- 2 What does it mean to be healed?
- 3 How many times each day do you pray?
- 4 Do a squeeze prayer together to pray for others in your family's life. Hold hands. One person starts. They pray for a person and then squeeze a hand so the next person can pray for someone. Your prayers can be as simple: "Help Lisa feel your love." "We pray for Andrew on his birthday." "We thank you for baby Hannah."



Eye Spark

When you see something beautiful and sparkly, remember the sparkly temple gate in this story.



Ear Spark

When you hear people praying, add your own prayers to theirs.

LIVE IT

For families to do together

Put together some care packages for those who are in the hospital healing from surgery, illness, or labor and delivery. Use gift bags and fill them with magazines, books, games, and other items that bring a smile. See if there is a person in your church who could use a quick visit from a family with such a gift.

For younger kids

See how many ways you can use your legs to praise God. Try dancing to music, skipping to church, or playing hopscotch with Bible verses.

For older kids

Try sticky note prayers this week. Write the name of someone you would like to pray for on a sticky note. Stick the note up in a place where you'll be sure to see it several times a day — on your bathroom mirror, on your desk, or in a book or folder. Say a prayer for the person each time you see the sticky note reminder.

