

Jesus Heals the Deaf Man

SCRIPTURE: Mark 7:31-37

MEMORY VERSE: For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

CHARACTERS: Jesus, deaf man, deaf man helpers

Well I'm sure glad Buckethead had his friends to help him aren't you? It's great to have friends we can trust to help us when we need them. This reminds me of a Bible story on a miracle Jesus performed. You know what a miracle is? Something one God or Jesus can do. In this story, Jesus healed a deaf man, a man who could not hear AND this man could barely talk.... **(interrupt with chicken sounds)**.

As I was saying.... This story of how Jesus healed a deaf man is in the Bible. It's in the book of Mark, chapter 7.

One day Jesus was walking in a village by the Sea of Galilee. There was always a crowd of people that followed Jesus wherever he went. And, since He was healing sick people, some friends brought a deaf man to Jesus for healing. This couldn't hear and could hardly talk. His friends begged Jesus to heal their friend.

Jesus loved this man and so He led him away from the crowd. Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears, looked up to Heaven and said, "Be opened!" Then He did something really strange! He spit on his hands and touched His hands to the man's mouth. At that point, the most amazing thing happened! The man's ears were opened and he could hear! For the first time, he could hear people talking and laughing. He could hear birds singing and dogs barking! He could hear the baby chicks peeping, the mamma chickens clucking and walking around to find bugs and worms AND he could hear... the rooster crow!

The people were so amazed to see this miracle that they couldn't stop talking about it. They said, "Jesus does everything well!! They wanted to follow him more than ever! Jesus loved this deaf man and He loves us too! He wants us to come to Him, to trust Him to help us, and to share His love with our friends!

Most of all, Jesus wants us to love and trust Him as our Savior!