

Jesus Healer of Body and Spirit

Readings	1) Isaiah 40:21-31 2) 1 Corinthians 9:16-27 3) Mark 1:29-39
Scripture Focus	Mark 1:29-34
Take Away	None
Aids (pics, props, etc.)	A picture or two will help. https://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/wb-capernaum-healings/
Message Today is another story about what Jesus did while he was on earth. He had a very important job. He came with a new message for God's people. He needed them to know that he was God's Son so they would listen to him and believe what he said. What could he do to get them to believe that his Father is Almighty God? Why not just tell them? (Have a couple of people in the congregation shout out, "I'm God's son! No, I'm God's son! I'm God's son, too!") Ok. That won't work. Anyone could say that. Listen to this story. Jesus, James, and John went to Simon and Andrew's house. Simon was married and his wife's mom was there. She was really sick and had a fever. As soon as Jesus went in the house they told him about her. Jesus walked over to her and took her hand and gently lifted her to be sitting up. She smiled. The fever was gone! She got up and started walking around and serving them some food. She was perfectly healthy!! Jesus healed her just by touching her! The whole town heard about Jesus healing the lady, and later that night, all kinds of people came to Simon's house, knocking on the door. Many of them were sick with a lot of different diseases and Jesus healed them too. Can anybody else heal people like that? Even doctors can't heal like that! How did he do that? This man was not like anybody else. So, how do we know that Jesus is God's Son? He can do things nobody else has ever been able to do or will ever be able to do. ONLY God can look in someone's body and fix it just thinking about it. And you know what's even cooler? HE LOVES US and is preparing a place for us in heaven. One day, we will be with him and we will never get sick or hurt again. Woohoo! How cool is that? Let's pray.	
Repeat Prayer	Dear Jesus, You are the best doctor ever! Only you can heal our body. Only you can heal our spirit. Thank you for letting us know you. Thank you for loving us. We love you. Amen.
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