

STUDY AIDS

Story 44 Peter And John Heal A Beggar A Bible Story from the Book Acts

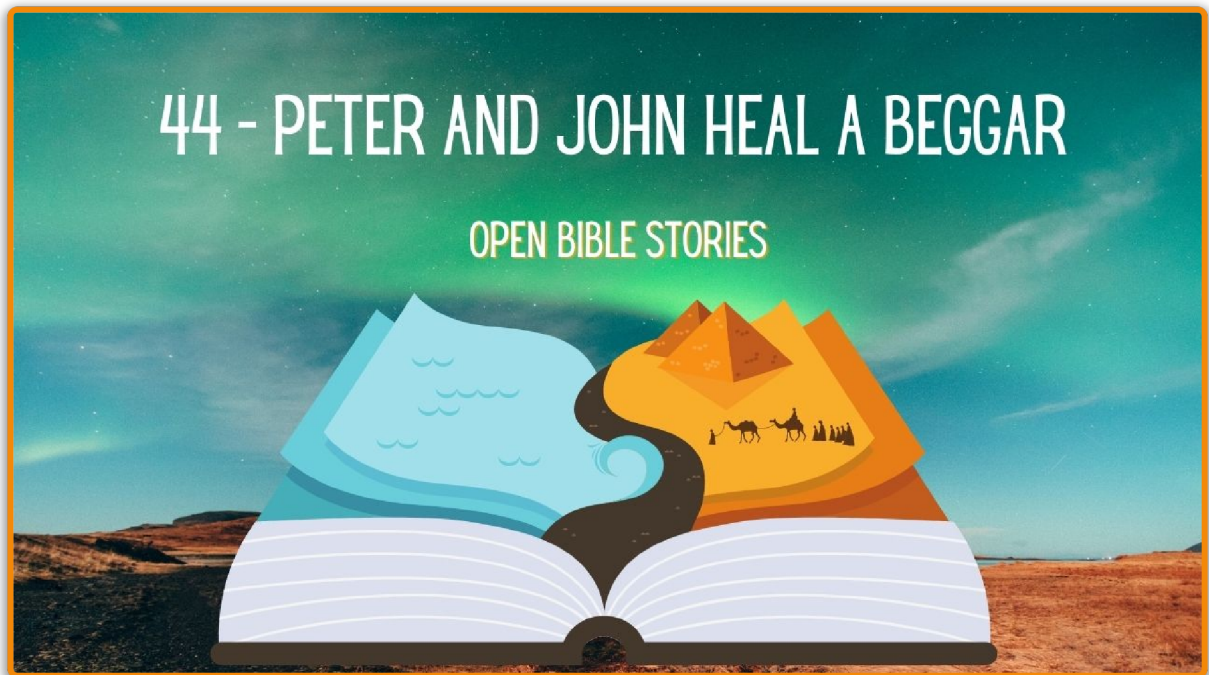


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A Guide to Using the Stories in the Open Bible Stories

The Reason For The Stories

The stories in the OBS tell about things that happened in the Bible. However, the stories are shorter than the Bible accounts, and the language is often easier to understand. The stories can help people learn about who God is and about what he has done. Also, each paragraph of a story has an image that can help people understand what happened in Bible times when clothing, houses, and culture were very different than they are today.

How to Use The Stories

- **Choose a story to read.** The stories will be easier to understand if you read the stories in order, beginning with the first story
- **Read the story.** In a group, one person may read the story aloud, or the people may take turns reading portions.
- **Look at the images.** Use the images to help you understand what happened in the time of the story. Try to identify the people in the images.
- **Refer to the Notes.** Read the study notes whenever there is a word or something else that you do not understand in the story.
- **Discuss the Questions.** Read each question and think about the answer. The first set of questions help you see what the story says. The next set of questions help you think about what the story means to you. If you are in a group, allow different people to offer answers to the questions. Look at the answer to each question and see how it is the same as your answer, or different from it.
- **Read the Summary.** Read the story summary at the end of the questions. Think about what you have learned about God in the story. If you are in a group, ask the group what they have learned from the story.

The Parts of The Stories

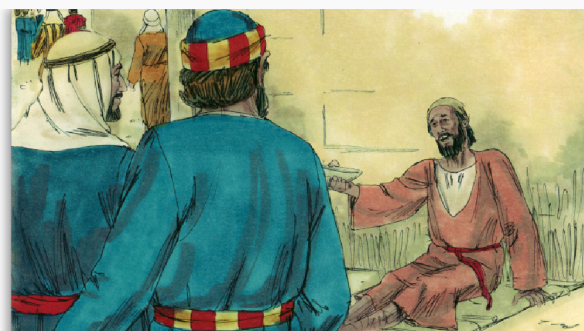
- The text of the stories
- The images in the stories
- The study notes in the stories
- The questions for the stories

Study Notes

Slide 1

One day Peter and John went to **the Temple**. A crippled man was sitting at the gate, begging for money.

the Temple - This refers to the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem.



Slide 2

Peter looked at the lame man and said, "I do not have any money to give you. But I will give you what I do have. **In the name of Jesus**, get up and walk!"

In the name of Jesus - This expression here means 'by the authority of Jesus.'



Slide 3

Immediately, God healed the lame man. He began to walk and jump around and to praise God. The people in **the courtyard of the Temple** were amazed.

the courtyard of the Temple - Only priests could enter the Temple, but ordinary Jews were allowed to come into this area that surrounded the Temple.

