# Day 4 - Courage



**Bible Story: The Blind Beggar | Luke 18:35-42** 

Bottom Line: I can find courage when I trust Jesus!

Memory Verse: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own

understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight."

Proverbs 3:5-6

### **READ**

A blind man is healed | Luke 18:35-42

<sup>35</sup> As Jesus came to Jericho, a certain blind man was sitting beside the road begging. <sup>36</sup> When the man heard the crowd passing by, he asked what was happening. <sup>37</sup> They told him, "Jesus the Nazarene is passing by."

<sup>38</sup>The blind man shouted, "Jesus, Son of David, show me mercy." <sup>39</sup>Those leading the procession scolded him, telling him to be quiet, but he shouted even louder, "Son of David, show me mercy."

<sup>40</sup> Jesus stopped and called for the man to be brought to him. When he was present Jesus asked, <sup>41</sup> "What do you want me to do for you?"

He said, "Lord, I want to see."

<sup>42</sup> Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight! Your faith has healed you." <sup>43</sup> At once he was able to see, and he began to follow Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they praised God too.

# WATCH

Go to resurrection.church/vbc to watch Day 4 of Wild Kingdom-Trust Leads the Way!

# **CREATE**

Supplies: Paper with COURAGE written at the top, markers or crayons

Do:

- Talk about what it means to have courage.
- Have kids draw or write down a time when they showed courage.
- Let them decorate their papers.
- Ask kids to share what they drew or wrote.
- Hang the picture up in your space.

Say: "The animal of the day is the Emperor Penguin. They live in a really cold climate. They have to have a lot of courage to face all that snow, ice and cold wind. Courage is choosing to be brave when I am scared or afraid, because I trust in Jesus. Think about a time when you did something brave. Maybe you rode your bike without training wheels or walked up to a new kid at school and asked them to join a game with you. Those both take courage.

On your paper, write or draw a picture of a time when you were brave. Wow! You were brave!"

#### REMEMBER

Make up a "brave" pose like a superhero and recite the memory verse.

## **ACTIVITY**

**Supplies:** Paper, markers or crayons, trash can

#### Do:

- Designate 1–3-point lines. The 1-point line should be the closest to the trash can and the 3-point line the farthest away.
- Draw or write down a fear on a piece of paper.
- When finished, wad your paper up into a ball.
- Let everyone try and make a basket starting at the 3-point line.
- Keep track of the points.

Say: "Are there times when you have felt scared? (Allow responses) It's ok to feel scared sometimes. When I feel afraid, I talk to Jesus about my fear and ask Him to help me. It also helps to talk about my fear with someone I trust. Let them know that you're feeling scared. Talking through our fears helps. Next, I try to find something I can do that makes me feel relaxed, like taking a walk or reading a book. You might like to watch tv or play video games. On your paper, write or draw something that makes you feel scared. (Give kids a chance to write/draw their fears.) Now that you're finished, I want you to wad your paper up in a ball. Now you get to throw your fear away. Before you try to make a basket, shout out "I can find courage when I trust Jesus!" Let's see how many points we can get!"

## **PRAY**

Dear Jesus, thank you for the story of The Blind Beggar to help remind us that we can have courage even when we are afraid when we trust in you. Thank you for loving us and help us to have the courage to tell others about your love for them. Amen.