

Text Luke 18:35-43, Matthew 20:29-34,
Mark 10:46-52

Focus Jesus hears when children call out to Him

Verse Psalm 91:15 “. . . call upon Me, and I will
answer . . .” NKJV

Songs of Praise and Worship

Prayer/Offering

Story 1 Bartimaeus Calls Out to Jesus (Bible)

Craft 1 Bartimaeus (coloring)

Snack Time

Story 2 Stevie Calls Out for Help (people)

Craft 2 Stevie (coloring)

My Bible Verse

Story 3 I Can See (acting)

Craft 3 Telephone (bracelet)

Story 4 Do We Have to Shout? (puppet)

Craft 4 Bartimaeus (stickers)

Bartimaeus Calls Out to Jesus

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Water and Sky Scene, Hillside Overlay, Jesus (2), Bartimaeus Standing (54),
Bartimaeus Kneeling (54A), Men (87), Women (97A), Children (108),
Hillside Extension (S4)

1. The man sitting beside the road is named Bartimaeus.

Display Water and Sky Scene, Hillside Overlay, Hillside Extension, Jesus, Bartimaeus Kneeling, Men, Women, Children.

- A. He cannot see. He is blind.
- B. He hears a large crowd of people.
- C. People tell him that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.
- D. Bartimaeus knows that Jesus heals people.

2. Bartimaeus begins calling out to Jesus.

- A. "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"
- B. People around Bartimaeus tell him to be quiet.
- C. Instead, Bartimaeus calls out even louder.

3. Jesus stops and asks Bartimaeus, "What do you want Me to do for you?"

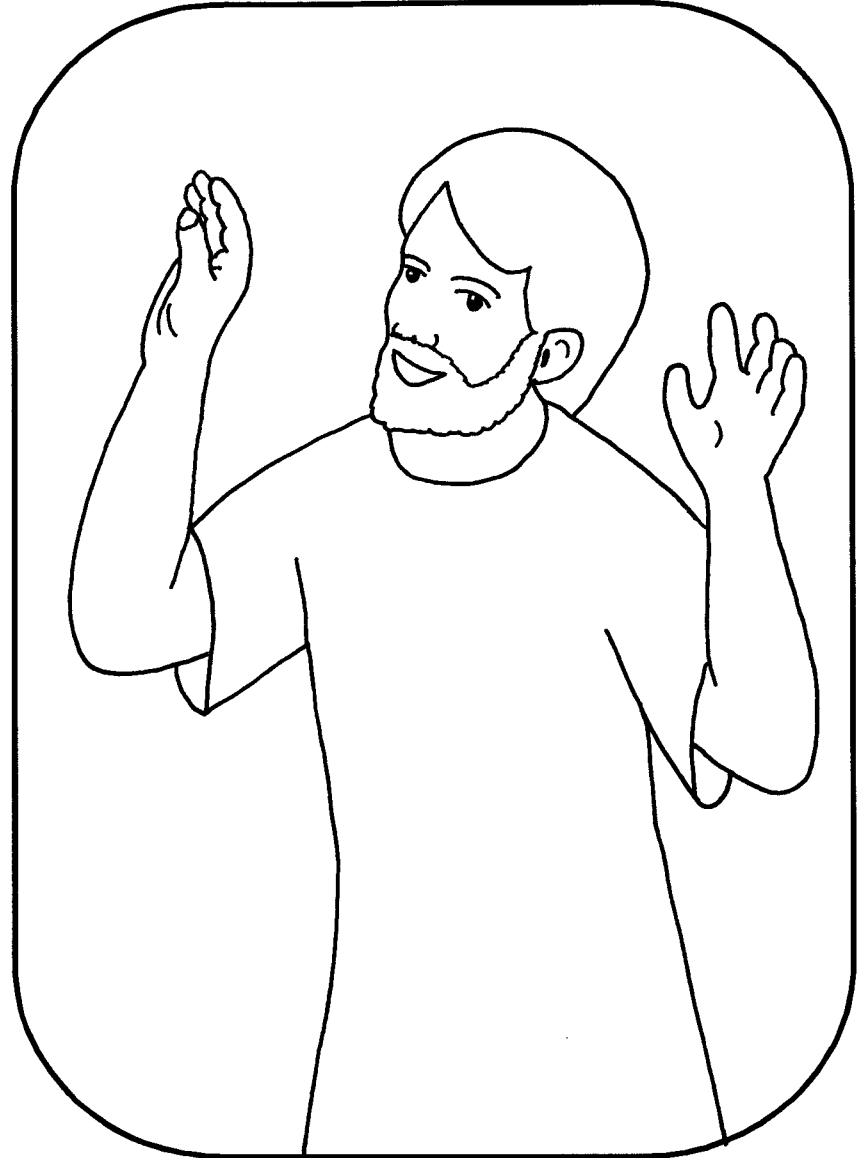
- A. Bartimaeus says, "Lord, I want to receive my sight."
- B. Jesus then says, "Receive your sight, your faith has made you whole." *Remove Bartimaeus Kneeling - Add Bartimaeus Standing.*
- C. Bartimaeus opens his eyes. He can see!
- D. Bartimaeus follows Jesus. He gives glory to God for healing his eyes.

4. Jesus hears when you call out to Him.

- A. He is listening to you now.



Bartimaeus said, "Lord, I want to receive my sight."



Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus.

Stevie Calls Out for Help

Stevie was playing in his back yard. There were lots of trees there. Then Stevie saw a rabbit. Do you know what he did? He followed the rabbit into the trees. Soon he got lost and did not know where he was. He sat down and cried.

Then he called out, "Daddy, please help me."

Stevie heard a voice. "Stevie, where are you?"

It was Daddy. Stevie called again and soon Daddy found him. Daddy carried him home and took care of him. Daddy had heard Stevie when he called out.

When you call out to Jesus, He will hear you. He is listening to you now.



Jesus hears when you call out to Him

I Can See

Preparation:

Bring to class a lady's hat, scarf and a Bible. Put the hat on your head and tie the scarf around your neck. Hold the Bible in your hand.

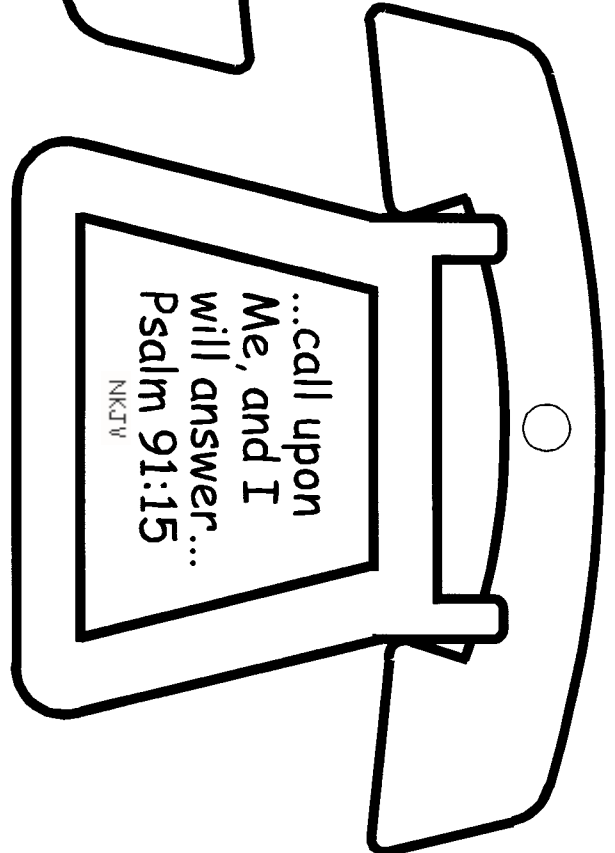
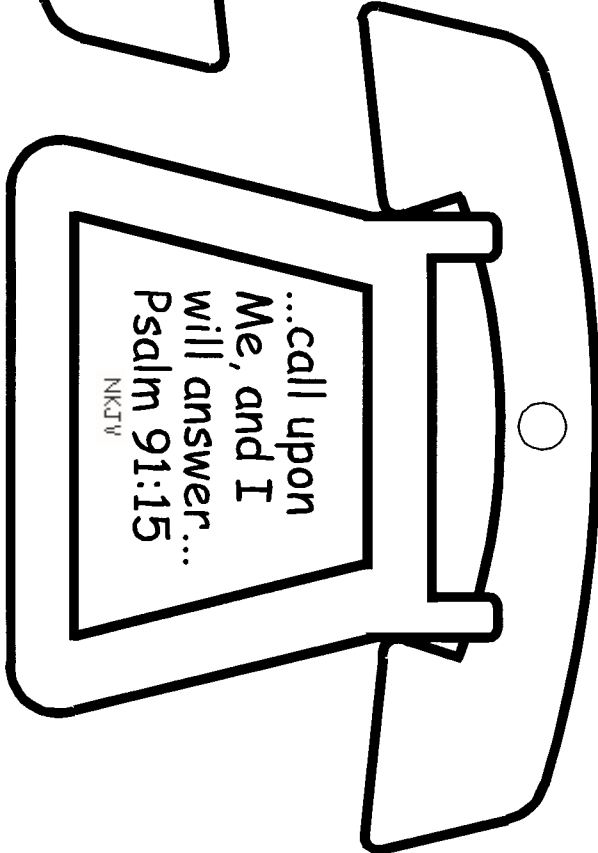
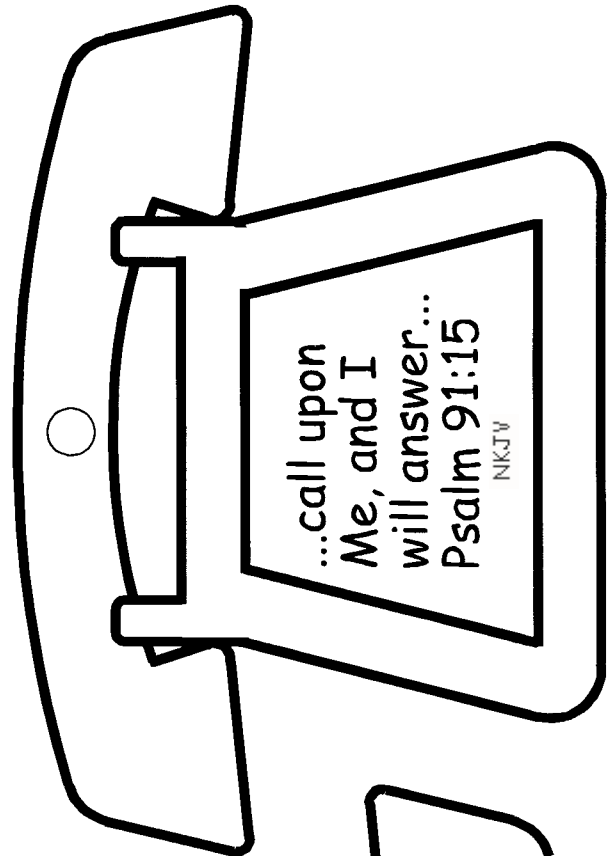
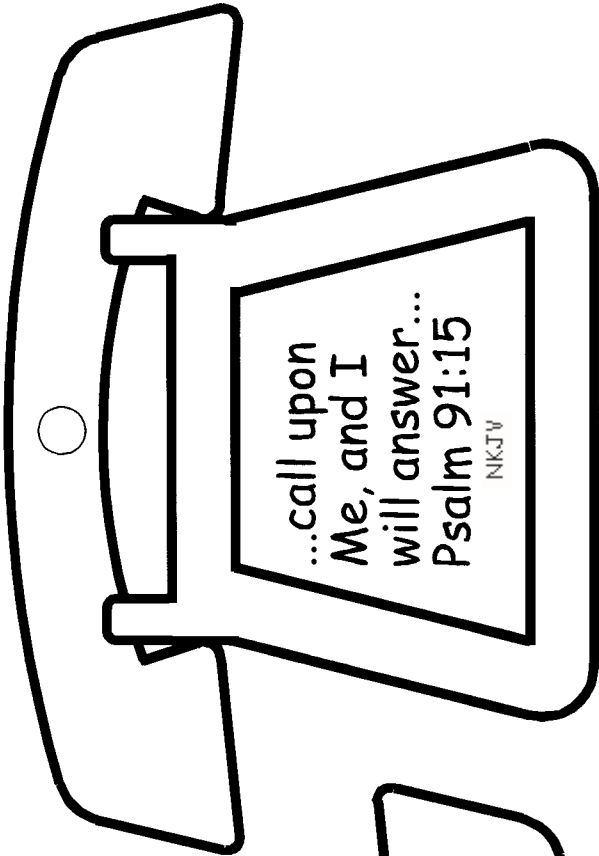
What to Tell Them:

I am going to tell you a story about a lady who could not see. We will pretend that her name is Louise.

One day Louise heard about Jesus. She asked Jesus to come into her heart. *Hold your hand to your heart.* Louise wanted to be able to read her Bible. *Hold up the Bible.* She could not see the words on the page. She called out to Jesus. Then, something very exciting happened. Jesus healed her eyes. She could now read her Bible.

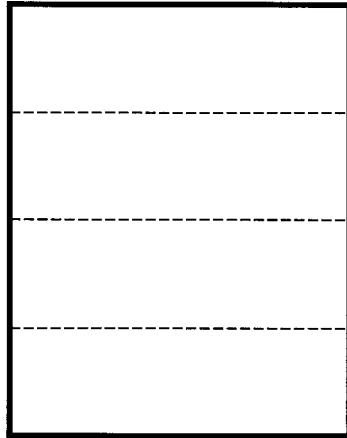
Louise learned that Jesus hears us when we call out to Him. He had healed her eyes! You can call out to Jesus. He will hear you, too.

Copy this page with "Telephones" onto colored paper. Cut out "Telephones." Punch hole at small circle. Thread piece of ribbon through hole. Have children string paper beads on ribbon. Tie ends to make bracelets. Make paper beads per the page titled "Instructions for Paper Beads."

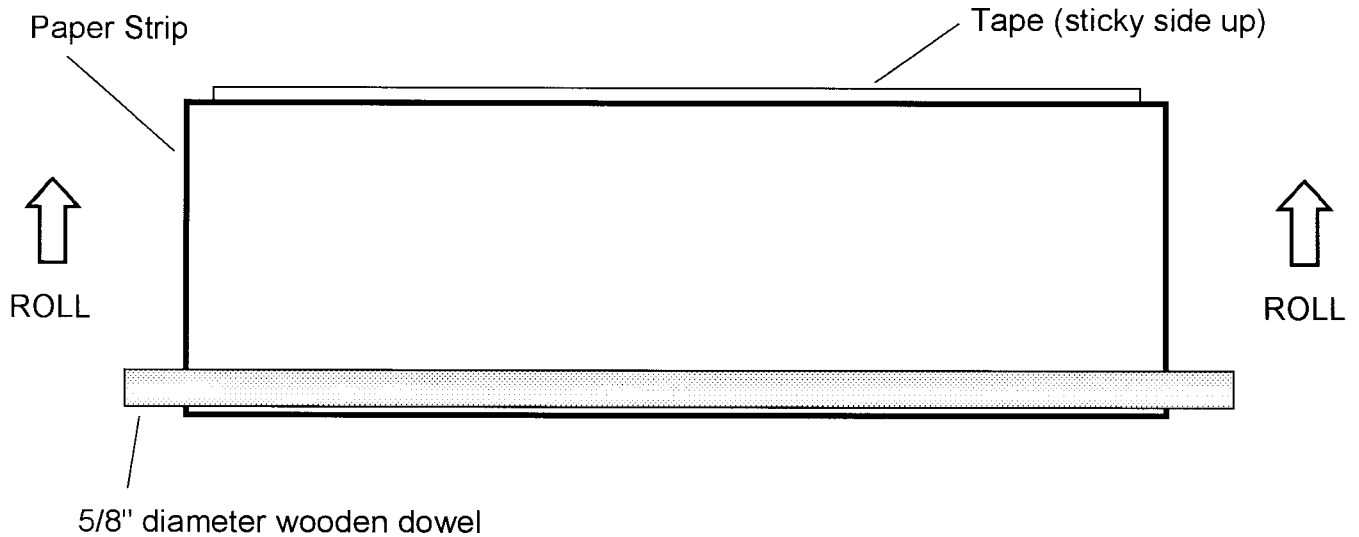


Instructions for Paper Beads

Cut a full sheet of colored paper into four equal strips as shown below. Cut at locations shown by dotted lines. NOTE: One full sheet makes enough paper beads for 2 children.



Lay paper strip on flat surface. Place tape along long edge of paper strip. Turn paper strip over so sticky side of tape is up as shown below. Use 5/8" diameter wooden dowel to roll paper into a tube. Tape will hold paper tube together. Remove dowel.



Cut paper tube into six paper beads as shown below. Cut at locations shown by dotted lines.



Do We Have to Shout?

Characters: Teacher
Nutmeg (or your favorite puppet)

NUTMEG: I heard that Bartimaeus shouted for Jesus to hear him.

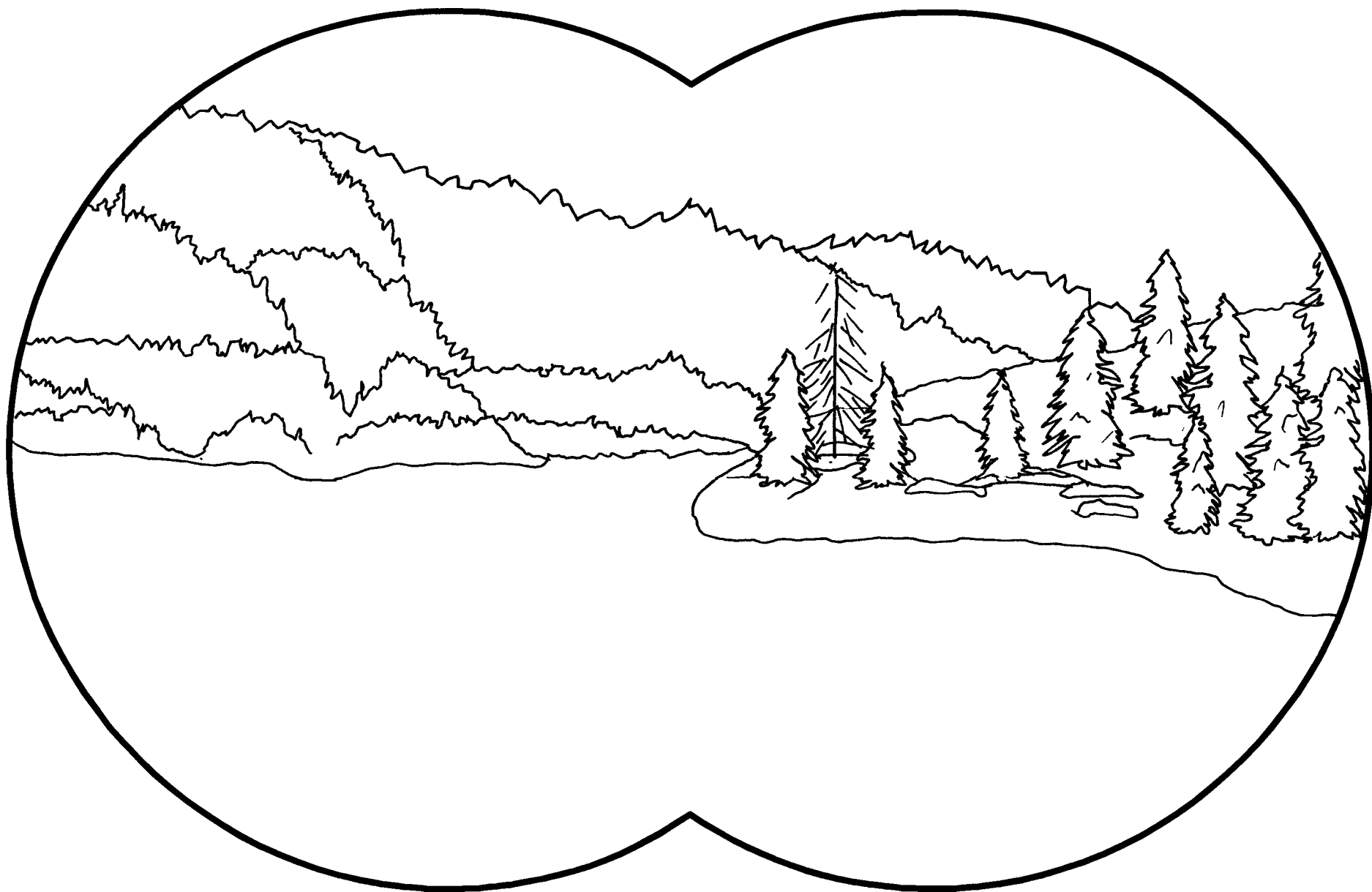
TEACHER: That's true. Bartimaeus found out that Jesus hears anyone who calls out to Him. Jesus did what Bartimaeus asked.

NUTMEG: Do we have to shout to make Jesus hear us?

TEACHER: No, you can even whisper and He will listen and answer you.

NUTMEG: Does Jesus always hear me?

TEACHER: Yes, Jesus hears you. He is ready to listen to you any time.



Bartimaeus sees everything!