TEACHER'S NOTES

6 year olds	OUR HEAVENLY FATHER
Chapter 16	We Believe in Jesus
Lesson 2	The Blind Man Sees

AIMS

- 1. Children will learn how the blind man acted in faith.
- 2. They will understand that, because of his faith, Jesus healed the blind man.
- 3. Jesus cured the blind man immediately.

STEP 1

Discuss with the children the meaning of the words "believe" and "faith". Explain that when we believe we act in faith. Tell them that we will see an example of such faith in the story of the blind man.

STEP 2

Read the story from the healing of the blind man in the children's bible that is in their packs (Mark 10:46-52 and Luke 18:35-43)

STEP 3

Ask the children the following questions about the story:

Why did the blind man call out to Jesus to help him?	Because he believed that Jesus could help him.
Why did the blind man have faith?	Because he must have heard about Jesus, His teachings and His miracles from others.
Why did Jesus ask the blind man what he wanted Him to do? If Jesus is God, He would already know what he wanted.	Yes, but God wants us to ask Him for what we need and want.
Why did Jesus cure the blind man?	Because of his faith and because Jesus had pity on him.
Did it take along time for Jesus to cure the blind man?	No, He did it instantly.

STEP 4

Read the two "special paragraphs" in their packs with the children.

Ask the children what rewards they can receive because of their faith?

Answer: God's love, Heaven, comfort, healing. But explain that God does not always reward us with miracles in this life. But those who love Him and are faithful and good throughout their lives on earth, God will welcome and reward them in Heaven.

STEP 5

Ask the children to do the exercise in their packs and encourage them to contribute ideas of their own

STEP 6

Discuss prayer and how to pray with the children. Explain that there are four different sorts of prayer. Work through the exercise in their packs and make sure they understand it.

REINFORCE

Explain to the children that we should all respond to God in faith by acting in love. Try to set a small class or individual project like making sandwiches for the poor, doing a chore, helping their parents without being told. Emphasis that it is important to help people we know as it is to help strangers.

Perform the skit in the children's pack.

Set the children to colouring the picture in the children's pack.

CONCLUDE

Make the simple act of faith with the children from their packs.

Sing with the children, "At the Name of Jesus," Adoramus hymnal, #602

PREVIEW

In our next lesson, we will learn about the healing of the centurion's servant.