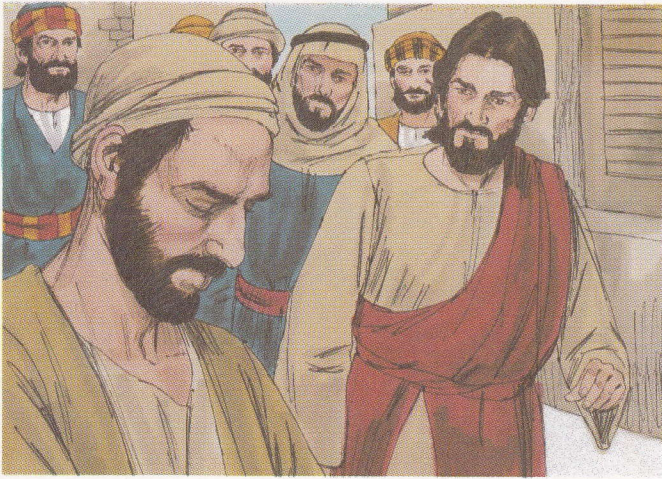
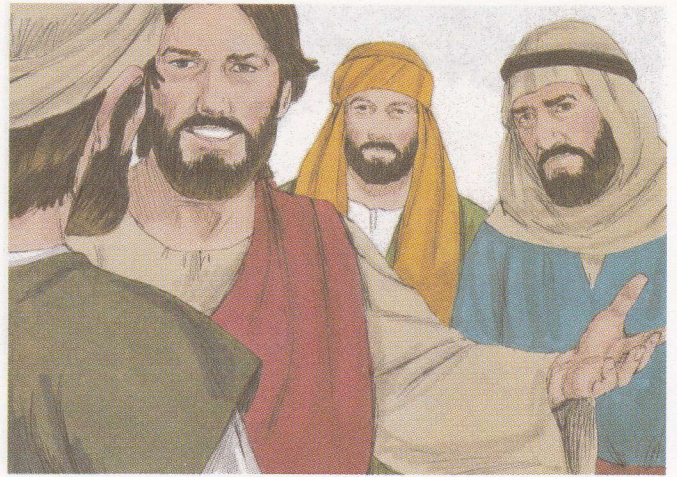


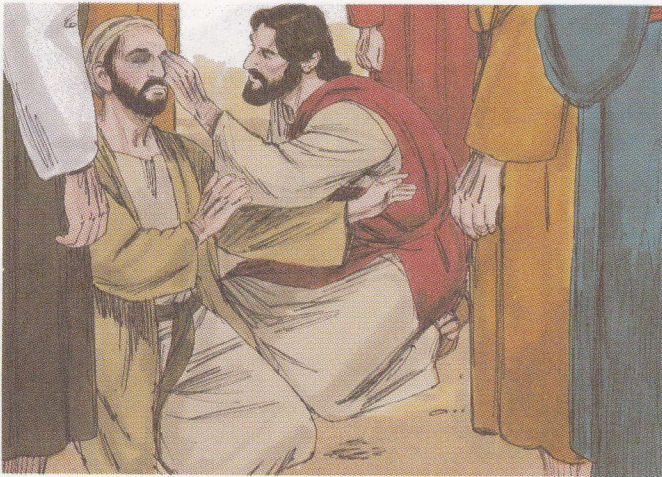
A Blind Man Sees



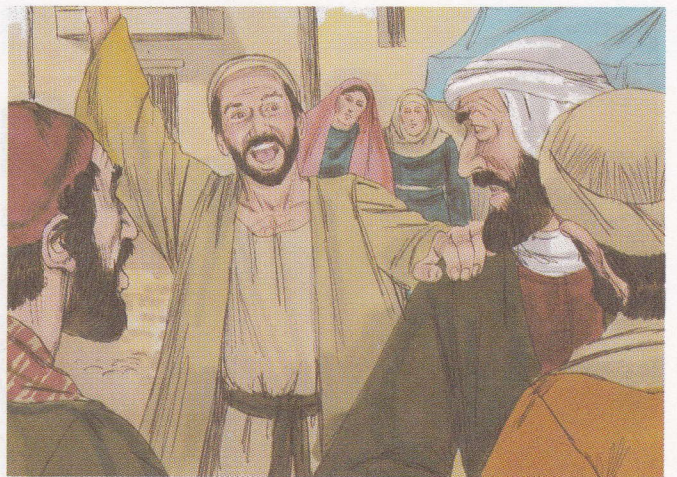
1 One sabbath day, Jesus noticed a man who had been blind all his life. The disciples asked him, "Was this man born blind because of his parents' sins or his own sins?"



2 Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned. This has happened so that the work of God might be shown in his life."



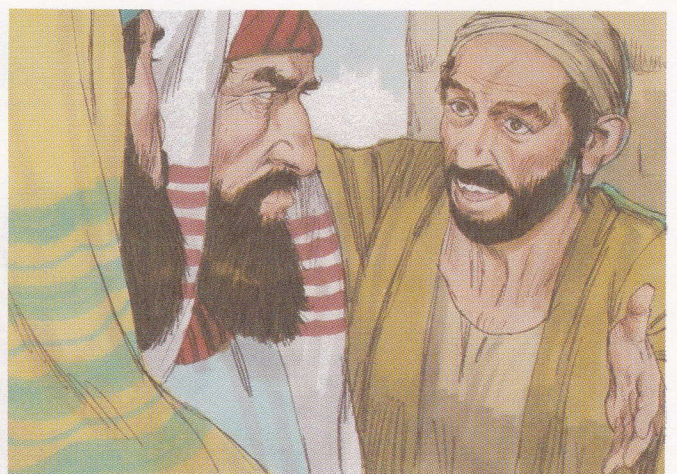
3 Jesus spat on the ground and made some mud. He put this on the man's eyes. Then Jesus said to him, "Go and wash in the pool of Siloam."



4 When the man did as Jesus said, he could see! His neighbors were amazed. "Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?" they asked one another. "Yes, it is I," the man said.



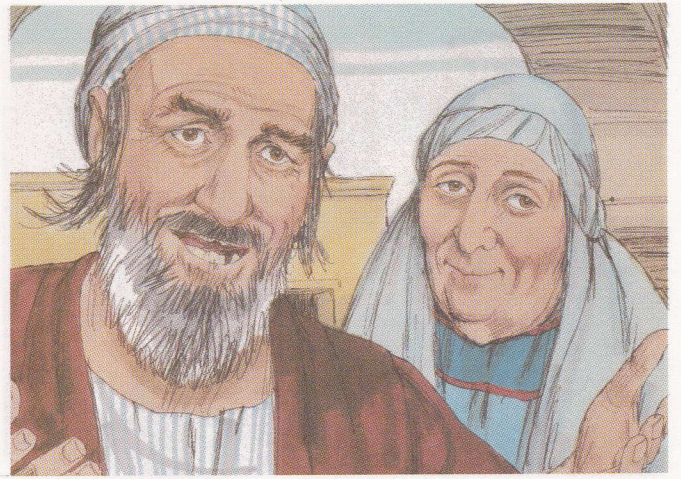
5 He told them his story. Then they took him to the Pharisees, and again he told his story. The Pharisees said, "This Jesus is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath."



6 But others asked, "How can a sinner do such miracles?" Finally they asked the blind man, "What do you say about the man who opened your eyes?" "The man is a prophet," he said.



7 The Jews still did not believe that the man had really been blind. They sent for his parents and asked, "Is this your son? Was he born blind? How can he now see?"



8 His parents said, "He is our son and he was born blind. But we don't know how he can now see." The Pharisees again said to the man, "We know this Jesus is a sinner."



9 The man replied, "I don't know about that, but I do know that I can now see." They asked him to tell the story again. "Why?" he asked. "Do you want to become his disciples?"



10 The angry Pharisees said, "You are his disciple. We are disciples of Moses!" And they threw the man out of the synagogue.



11 Jesus heard what had happened. When he found the man, Jesus asked him, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Who is he?" the man asked in reply.



12 Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact he is the one speaking with you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Jesus.