

Jesus Came to Give Life

Keep these ideas in mind as you study Chapter 13.

- Lepers often had to live apart from other people. Jesus healed many lepers and reunited them with their communities.
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- ❖ Sin separates us from God and from one another. It weakens us and makes us less able to use our gifts for the good of God's family. In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, Jesus heals us of sin by forgiving us. He makes us one with God and with one another.

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- Jesus saw a widow's dead son being carried out of the city of Nain. Jesus raised the man from the dead and reunited him with his mother.
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- Jesus worked miracles that brought life. Those miracles showed people that the Kingdom of God had come.

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- ♦ When a blind man heard that Jesus was passing by, he showed his belief by crying out for Jesus to help him. Faith, our ability to believe in God and his love for us, helped Jesus give the man back his sight.
- A woman with a terrible illness thought that if she touched Jesus' coat, she would be healed. As Jesus passed by, she touched his coat and was healed.

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- ❖ While a man named Jairus came to ask for Jesus to help his daughter, the girl died of her illness. Jesus went to Jairus's house and raised her from the dead.
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- Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus gives us gifts to help us respect and protect life.
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