

Week of January 10th

PARENT GUIDE

Bible Story:
The Four Friends
(Mark 2:1-12)

Memory Verse:
"Everyone who
heard him was
amazed."
Luke 2:47, NIV

Say This:
Who is amazing?
Jesus is amazing.

Activity: Carry Me

What you Need:

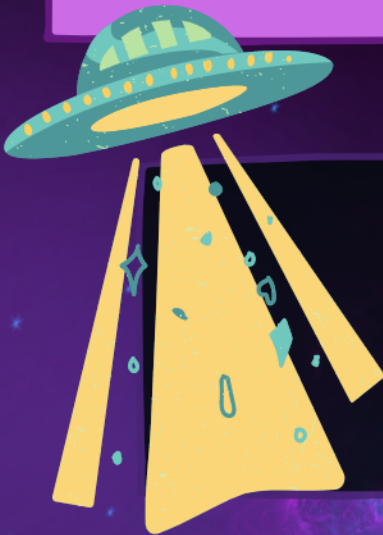
Towel or blanket & a plush friend.

What you Do:

Lay the towel or blanket on the floor and place a stuffed friend in the middle of it. Invite your child to pick up an end/corner of the towel and help you carry the plush friend around the room.

Say, "Today in our Bible story, we heard about four friends who helped their friend who couldn't walk see Jesus! They carried him! WOW! What sweet friends they were! Let's pretend that we're in our Bible story. Let's carry our stuffed friends just like the four friends did! (Do activity.)

"Great job. Remind me, how many friends carried the man in our story? Yes, four. That's right! And, they even went on the roof to get their friend to Jesus. Jesus helped the man walk again! The friends knew that Jesus could help him, and He did! Jesus is amazing! Who is amazing? Jesus is amazing!"



Prayer

Dear God, thank You for giving us Jesus to be our friend forever. Thank You that He loves us and wants to help us. We know Jesus has the power to heal us and make us better. We trust that Jesus will always help us do hard things. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.