



Worship Illustration: Script
The Adventures of Delbert and Lello
God of Wonders Part 1: Miracles of Jesus
Unit 2, Lesson 6

Healing the Officer's Servant

Matthew 8:5-10, 13

Suggested setting: The God of Wonders puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

Characters: Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to hear Bible stories about God. The Leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, forest ranger, etc.). The leader helps children focus on and leads group interaction with the puppets.

Leader (Stands at puppet window.)
It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.
Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert, Dehhhhhl-bert!" (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of a window.) **"Hellooooooooooooo Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops out of a window.)

Delbert
Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!

Leader and Children
Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert and Lello.

Lello
Yeah! (bleat) Hello, every-bahhh-dy.

Leader
How are you two today?

Delbert
We are great! We just heard a story from the Bible. It's the one where Jesus heals the officer's servant.

Lello
Yeah! (bleat) But, what does "heal" mean?

Leader
Heal means to be made well. Jesus made the servant well again.

Lello
And Jesus made him well without even touching him or seeing him?

Leader
That's right. Jesus just used His words—and the servant was healed.

Delbert
Haw! Which words did He use? Maybe I can use them, too!

Leader
Delbert, it wasn't the words that healed the servant. It was the one who said them, Jesus!

Delbert

What do you mean?

Lello

I think she means that Jesus is the one who healed the servant. Jesus is in charge of everything, so if He says something will happen—it always happens.

Delbert

Haw. Do you mean Jesus said the servant would be healed, and it happened just as Jesus said it would?

Leader

That's right, Delbert!

Lello

Can Jesus heal us, too?

Leader

He sure can!

Delbert

Haw! I knew that – I heard it in our new Bible Memory Verse. I can teach it to you, if you like.

Lello

Yeah! You say it first and then we'll say it together!

Delbert

O.K., say this after me:

"Heal me, O Lord, and I will be healed;"

Lello, Leader, and Children

"Heal me, O Lord, and I will be healed;"

Delbert

"save me and I will be saved,"

Lello, Leader, and Children

"save me and I will be saved,"

Delbert

"for You are the one I praise."

Lello, Leader, and Children

"for You are the one I praise."

Leader

Great job boys and girls. Thank you Delbert for teaching us. That verse sounds like a prayer to Jesus.

Delbert

Why, yes it does! Hey, maybe we can say that verse when we want Jesus to heal us.

Lello

Yeah. (bleat) That sounds like a good idea. And we can share it with anyone who needs to be healed. Delbert, let's say it all the way home together.

Delbert

Haw! Great idea. Let's go, Lello!

Lello

Yeah! Bahhh-bye every-bahhh-dy!

Delbert and Lello

See you soon!

Leader

Bye, Lello. Bye, Delbert.