



June Memory Verse

**Honor your
father and
mother.**

-Ephesians 6:2

A Father's Son is Healed

In Jesus's time there was a man who had a very sick son. This boy had been possessed by an evil spirit, and it was making him very, very sick. One day, after Jesus had been teaching upon the mountain, he came down to find this father talking to His disciples. The father had gone to the disciples to ask if they could heal his son. The son had a spirit that made him mute and whenever the spirit would seize (attack) the boy it would throw him down and the boy would foam at the mouth, grind his teeth, and become rigid. The father asked the disciples to heal the boy, but they could not heal him. So, when the father saw Jesus coming down from the mountain, he ran over to Jesus. He wasn't going to give up on getting help for his son. Jesus told the man to bring his son to him, and when he did, the evil spirit inside the boy started acting up again, making the boy very sick. Jesus asked him how long this boy had been sick. His father began worrying so much, and said this has been happening to the boy since he was a child. The father then says to Jesus, "If you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." The father was pleading to Jesus for help. Perhaps the father was thinking that this would be a great task even for the healer, Jesus. It was as if the father was begging for anything to help the situation. Jesus then told the man that everything is possible to those who believe. This is an amazing statement. Jesus said that if we believe everything is possible! The father responded to Jesus in a very interesting way. He cried out, "I believe! Help my unbelief." This father wanted his son healed, but Jesus, our heavenly father, wants us healed from the inside out. When the man shouted about his belief people started to come closer. Jesus saw this and healed the boy. Jesus commanded the spirit to come out of the boy and never to return. At Jesus's command the evil spirit came out of the boy forever, and Jesus took the boy by the hand and stood him up healed. In this story, a concerned father brought his son to Jesus to be healed. Fathers love their children so much, that they want the best for them. In the end, we learn that Jesus, our heavenly father, is concerned not only with healing and caring for us on the outside, but on the inside (our hearts) as well. We are thankful for fathers who put their trust and hope in Jesus.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Shp4cseFSk>



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- 1) What was making the little boy sick? He was possessed by an evil spirit.
- 2) What symptoms did the boy have? He couldn't talk and his mouth would foam and he would grind his teeth.
- 3) Who did the father first ask to heal his son? The disciples
- 4) Could the disciples heal the boy? No
- 5) Who did the father ask next? Jesus
- 6) Did Jesus heal the boy? Yes
- 7) What else did Jesus heal? The father's heart
- 8) Jesus wants to heal us on the inside and _____. Out

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We are thankful for fathers who put their trust and hope in Jesus. Jesus said, "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." – Mark 9:23

