## **Prayer Leader:**

Yesterday we learned that Jesus rejoices with us when we feel happy and confident – even if other people aren't as excited about our news.

That's what happened to the blind man in our story – after he was healed he was desperate to share his good news, but people were rude to him and angry about what had happened!

Let's see what happens next:



### **Reader:**

The religious leaders, called Pharisees, heard about the blind man who had been healed and become very angry.

They began asking lots of questions about Jesus – they couldn't believe He would heal someone on the Sabbath and thought He must be a sinner!

They sneered at the man who had been healed and said, "What have you to say about Him yourself, now that He has opened your eyes?"

John 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

### **Prayer Leader:**

The Pharisees were the Jewish religious leaders – very important people! When they began shouting and sneering at the man who had been healed, maybe he felt nervous and embarrassed.

The man had been so happy to have been healed and so grateful to Jesus, but now the Pharisees were shouting at him and making critical comments about Jesus, perhaps he just wished he had gone home and stayed away from the Pharisees!

# feel nervous and embarrassed

# **Prayer Leader:**

Close your eyes for a moment. Can you picture a time when you felt nervous or embarrassed?

Let's look at the situation through God's eyes: Jesus was with you in your heart when you felt this way and He wants you to feel His peace and love.

# All:

Jesus, thank you for loving me and being with me even when I'm nervous and embarrassed.

Help me to love others and help them to know your peace.

### Amen

