Scriptural Background Analysis Answer Key

1. What topics does each of the four scriptural passages address?
2. **Passage 1:** Jesus heals the paralytic man and forgives his sins.
3. **Passage 2:** Jesus restores life to Jairus’s daughter and heals a woman afflicted by a hemorrhage.
4. **Passage 3:** Jesus forgives a woman caught in the act of adultery and challenges those who condemned her to confront their own sinfulness and forgive as well.
5. **Passage 4:** Jesus hears blind Bartimaeus calling, and Jesus heals his blindness.
6. What do the four passages have in common? (Answers may vary.)
7. Jesus’ forgiveness
8. Faith on the part of those asking for forgiveness or healing
9. Physical or spiritual healing
10. The healings open the eyes of others to Jesus.
11. How are the four passages different? (Answers may vary.)
12. Some are physical healings, and others are spiritual healings.
13. Some involve healing based on the request of the person in need of healing, and others are based on the request of someone who cares for them.
14. In some cases, it wasn’t Jesus’ actions that brought about healing. Rather, the deep faith of the person wanting to be healed was enough.
15. If you had to create a title to unify these four scriptural passages, what would you choose? Why? (Answers may vary.)
16. **Title:** Healing in Scripture or something similar
17. **Reason:** Each of the passages is an example from Scripture of physical and spiritual healing. These passages illuminate the scriptural background for the Sacraments of Healing.