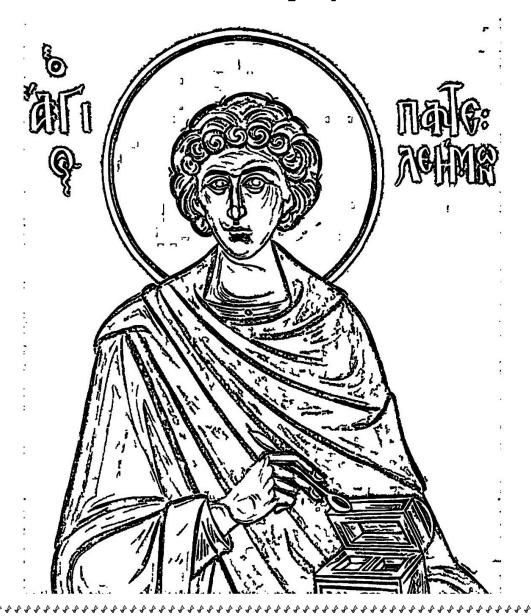
### St. Panteleimon, pray for us!



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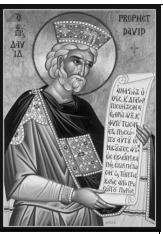
# The Children's Word

"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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### **The Son of David**



King David, the Prophet

# Do you ever call your friends nick-

names? Sometimes those names are kind of silly, aren't they? But maybe sometimes they really mean something. There's a reason you call them that name.

Today we hear a story in the Gospel about some blind men who wanted Jesus to heal them. They followed Him around. "Have mercy on us, Son of David," they said. Why did they call Jesus that? Wasn't it Joseph who took care of Him, like a father? Why do they call Him "Son of David" then?

Well, the Jewish people knew that their Savior would have the great King David as his grandfather (or great grandfather, or lots of greats grandfather). They knew about that from reading the Scripture. When the blind men said, "Have mercy on us, Son of David," they were showing that our Lord, Jesus Christ, was the real thing. He was the Savior.

Then, Jesus does have mercy on them. He healed them, and these two blind men could see! "Son of David" was a special name that really meant something. The people understood that Jesus Christ was somebody special, somebody people had waited for for many, many years.

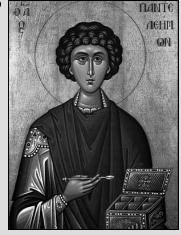
Jesus, the "Son of David" was their savior that day, but He is our Savior always!

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## WHAT'S IN THE ICON?

Here's an icon of Saint Panteleimon, a doctor saint.

Do you see what he is holding? It's medicine. But the best medicine this saint gave out was the love of Christ!



# THE HEALING SAINT SAINT PANTELEIMON

#### What do you want to be when

you grow up? A teacher? A businessman? A doctor? A saint? We'd all like to be saints and love God with all our hearts, right? God can help us be saints, no matter what job we have when we grow up!

Saint Panteleimon was a doctor and a saint. He spent his life helping people who were sick and needed help. He was a very good doctor, because God gave him a special gift of healing. So, since God was doing the healing, Saint Panteleimon didn't charge money to help people. Later on in



his life, the officials started to get jealous of Panteleimon, so they hurt him and even killed him. But Panteleimon loved his God very much, and now he still does in heaven!

Saint Panteleimon still heals people, because he is close to God. This great saint asks God to help people, just as he did when he lived on earth. So, if you know somebody who is sick, you can pray to the saint, and he will listen to you.

Look at the icon of Saint Panteleimon up above. Sometimes, when a sick person gets better, he will put a little picture to show how the saint helped him. Do you see all the little silver pictures on the icon of Saint Panteleimon?

We celebrate Saint Panteleimon today, July 27th (OC: August 9th).