

Jesus' Early Miracles



BIBLE PASSAGE: Mark 1

STORY POINT: People came to Jesus

How can I teach this lesson?
(We utilize the NIV Bible for references)

Let's Do It!

1. Read it!

Check out today's Bible story together in one or more of these ways...

- Read the story out loud from an age appropriate Bible (The NIV is a great version for kids of all ages!)
- Have older kids read the story out loud to you and/or to younger kids
- Watch the story: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3-eXTim04j0>
- Once you've watched and/or read the story, have kids re-tell the story in their own words

2. Write it!

Utilize the age appropriate worksheet attached to this lesson.

3. Sing it and Move it!

Rocky Railway VBS will have to wait until next summer, but here's a little sneak peek of a great song about the power of Jesus! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4xS48-KihCO>

4. **Have fun with it!**

Jesus did some things that caused people to listen carefully to His words and closely watch His actions. Is that hard to do? Let's try it...

Make one person the leader who will lead by both saying instructions out loud AND demonstrating actions. The others will follow their commands. The leader should start with something easy, like saying, "Pat your belly" while demonstrating how to pat your belly. BUT- sometimes the leader should mix it up. Say, "Wave your hands" while stomping your feet, for example. See who can follow the directions without making mistakes the longest – and then give someone else the chance to be the leader.

5. **Discuss it!**

Questions for each lesson are available on the age appropriate activity sheets. If you'd like to dig deeper with your kid(s), check out the questions below!

a. Main Question: What makes people special? *People are special because we are made in God's image, as male and female, to know Him.*

b. PreK-K:

- i. Why did Jesus heal the man with leprosy?
- ii. What do these miracles show about Jesus?
- iii. How do you know that Jesus cares about you?

c. 1st – 5th Grade:

- i. How did Jesus' miracles show His care for creation?
- ii. Do we need to see miracles to believe in Jesus? Why or why not?
- iii. Why was Jesus' preaching more important than His miracles?
- iv. In what ways does God reveal Himself today?

6. **Connect it! (As parents deem it appropriate)**

Jesus helped people, and we should too. Surprise a family member by doing a chore for them without having to be asked.

7. **Pray it!**

Lord God, we are amazed at all that You are and all that You do. No one is like You. You have power over sickness and You want to help us. We ask You to give us faith to trust in You and that You will give us everything we need. Thank You for forgiveness, salvation and eternal life.

8. **Craft it and Share it!**

Do you know anyone who is sick or hurt? Make a 'get well soon' card. Use band-aids like stickers and let the person know you are praying for them!