

Hatch Patch Creations

Family Home Evening Made Easy

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The Miracles of Jesus

Large Graphics

Family Home Evening
Packet



Contents:

Story, Picture Sheets, Activity,
Scripture, Treat Recipe \$3.50

Homemade Hot Cocoa

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup cocoa
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup evaporated milk
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla

Directions

Mix cocoa, sugar, evaporated milk and vanilla until well blended and smooth. Heat two quarts of whole or 2% milk in a large pan. Do not boil, but heat until the milk is very warm. Add cocoa mixture and stir in well. Remove from heat and ladle into cups. Add mini-marshmallows if desired and serve.

Variation

Try adding other flavorings to the cocoa mixture. You can even do it by each cup. Experiment with mint, orange, peppermint, raspberry or hazelnut oil flavorings. Add only one drop to each cup. MMMMMMM!

Banana Bread

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup shortening
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup ripe, mashed bananas
- 1 1/4 cup flour
- 3/4 tsp. soda
- 1/2 tsp. salt

Directions

Mix all ingredients together. Grease and flour two bread pans. Bake at 300 degrees for one hour or until a toothpick inserted into the bread comes out clean.

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Home Evening Outline

- Opening Prayer
- Opening Song
- Scripture Story
- Game
- Closing Song
- Closing Prayer
- Refreshments

Suggested Songs: "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus", pg. 57 (Childrens)
"I Think When I Read That Sweet Story", pg. 56 (Childrens)
"How Great Thou Art", pg. 86 (Hymn)

Scriptures: 2 Nephi 27:23, D&C 35:8-9

Story: Color graphics with markers, colored pencils, chalks, etc. Use flannel, or laminate and cut out and place magnets on back of graphics, etc.

Game: Preparation - Laminate and cut out cards. Find two small containers equal in size (cereal bowls, mugs, etc.). You will now need either dry beans, pennies, or some type of object that you have a lot of and that can be carried on a tablespoon.

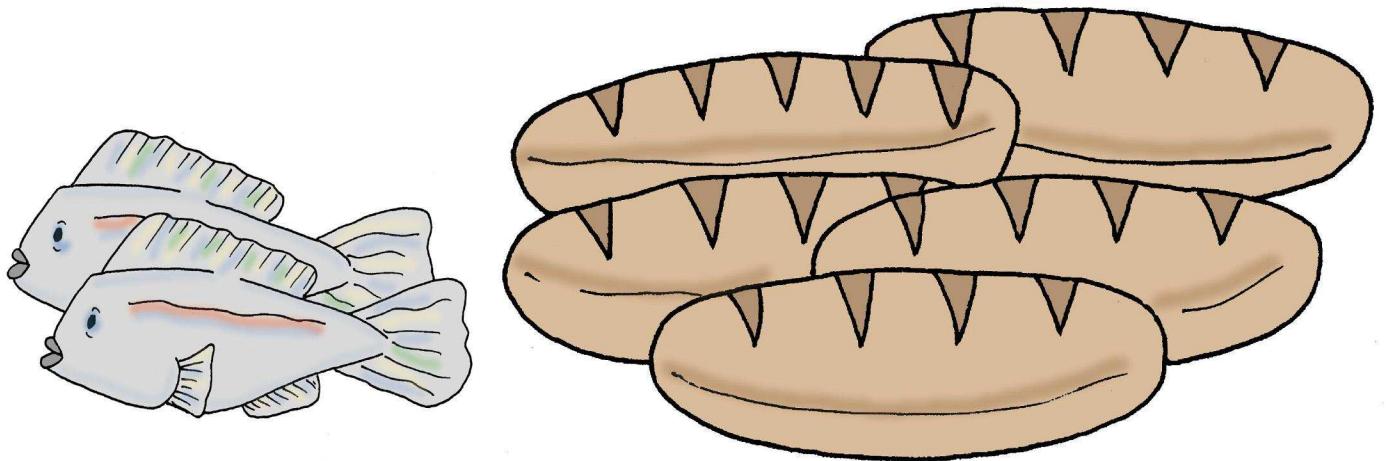
Play - Divide the family into two teams. Place a container in front of each team on the floor. Place a large container with your beans, pennies, etc. at the opposite end of the room, a good distance away. Give each team a tablespoon. Each team member who can read should have a set of scriptures, if available. Turn the pile of cards face down on a playing surface. Determine which team should go first. That team then sends a player to the pile of cards. He or she draws a card and then reads either the scripture reference given or key word or phrase given on the card. As soon as the reader is seated, both teams race to find the scripture. If a keyword or phrase is given, the Topical Guide will be needed to find the scripture. This will be a great tool to teach children how to use their scriptures. As soon as a team finds the scripture, a team member runs to the container of beans, pennies, etc., fills their tablespoon and carefully runs back and empties it into their container. If the runner spills any off the spoon, he or she has to run back, dump out the remainder, and refill his or her spoon. Once a team has emptied the spoon into its container, that turn has ended for both teams for that turn. Once the beans have been placed in the team's container, the team can then have a member read the scriptural account of one of Jesus' miracles. Play rotates to the next team, and they send up a reader. Play continues until a team has filled its container. If you run out of cards before a container has been filled, simply mix the cards, and turn them face down again. **All of the scriptural references will be found in Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.**



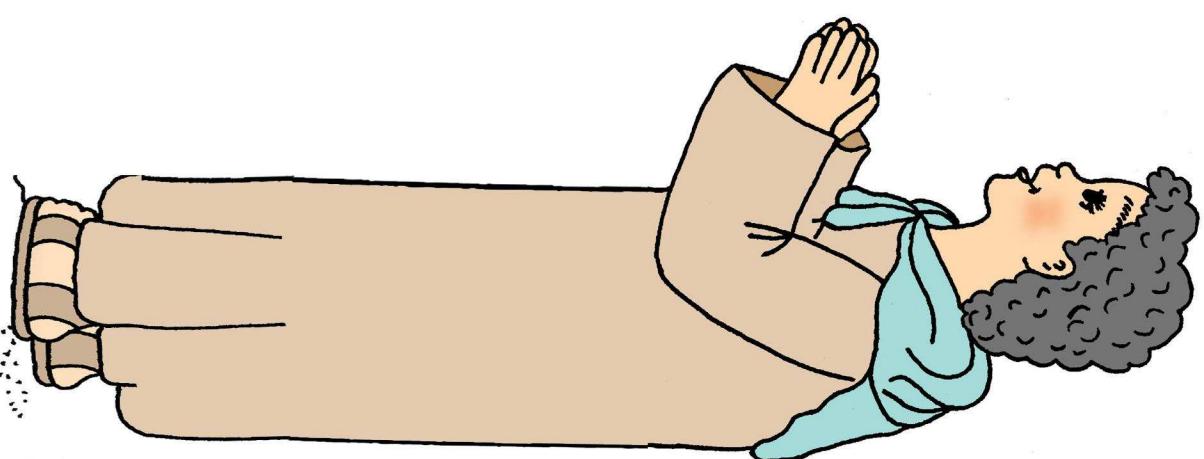
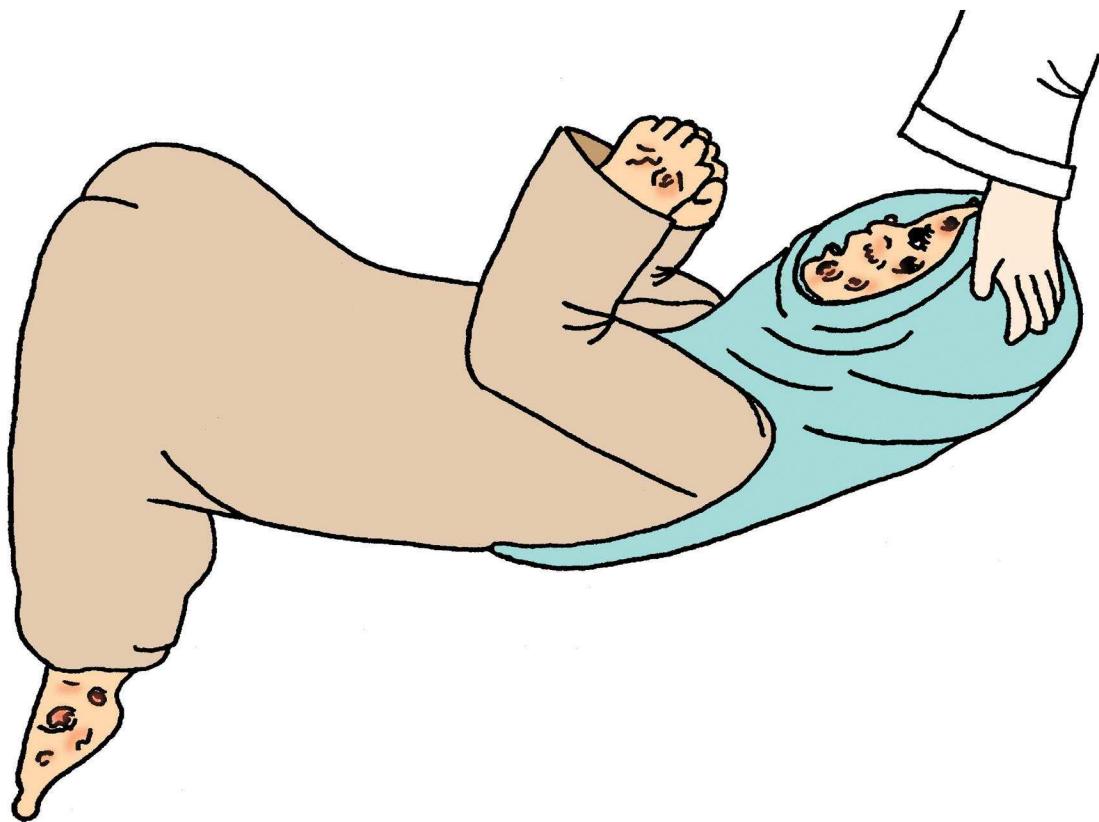
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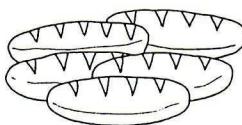
Woman healed by faith



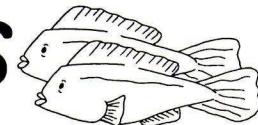


Group of Jesus' followers waiting to be fed





The Miracles of Jesus



Many, many years ago, the greatest of all men lived on the earth. His name was Jesus. Just who was Jesus? We know that he was the Son of God and that his mother's name was Mary. We also know that Jesus went about the world performing great miracles.

• Who can tell me what a miracle is?

Elder Bruce R. McConkie tells us that a miracle is something that happens which is caused by the power of God and which is something that men cannot perform on their own. In other words, in the gospel sense, it is from God.

While Jesus lived here, he performed many miracles but we want to specifically talk about four of them now. Luke 9:12-17 tells us about Jesus feeding 5000 people at one time. These people had followed the Savior throughout the day and he taught them about the Kingdom of God. He also healed many of them. It would soon be evening and Jesus' apostles were very concerned that the people should be sent somewhere to eat and rest because they had gathered in a desert area. Jesus told the apostles to feed everyone but they complained that they would have only five loaves of bread and two fishes unless they bought more food. Jesus asked his disciples to separate all of the people into groups of fifty and ask them all to sit down. It was then that the miracle occurred: Christ took the five loaves and two fishes, looked up into heaven and blessed them. He then broke the bread and gave the bread and fishes to the disciples to set before the 5000. Everyone ate until they were full. When all of the left-over food was collected there were twelve baskets brimming with food that had not been eaten. It's amazing to think that so many people could be fed with so little food!

Jesus healed many people during his life. In those days, there were many people who had a terrible disease called leprosy. It was very contagious and caused many to die. As if the illness itself wasn't bad enough, people with leprosy were treated as outcasts and made to live outside of the villages in large, dark caves so that they couldn't give the disease to anyone else. People were very afraid of those who had leprosy. Luke chapter 5:12-13 tells us of one of the lepers that was healed.

A man full of leprosy approached the Savior and fell down before him. This poor man pleaded with Jesus saying, "Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." The Lord then reached out his hand and touched the man. This was unheard of: no one wanted to ever touch a leper! Jesus said to him, "I will: be thou clean." Immediately the leprosy was gone.

Miracles can happen in any situation. Once, Christ was in a ship with his disciples, traveling to the other side of a lake. While they were on the water, Jesus fell asleep. Suddenly, there was a great wind that came up, tossing the little ship up and down on the waves. The disciples became very frightened as the wind caused the ship to fill with water. They woke the Savior up saying, "Master, master, we perish." When Jesus stood up and spoke to the wind and the raging water there was then calm and peace. Then Jesus said something very important to his disciples: "Where is your faith?" The disciples had been afraid, not remembering who was aboard with them. Faith is a very important part of any miracle.

One day as Jesus was teaching the people, he was followed by a woman who had been very sick for twelve years. She had suffered many things and had seen many doctors through the years, but no one had been able to help her. She had spent all of her money trying to get well and she had only grown much worse. When she heard of Jesus, she searched for him and even with a large crowd of people around him, she worked her way through until she reached him. She believed that if she could just touch his robe, she would be healed. Do we have that kind of faith? She gently reached her hand forward and touched his clothing as she said, "If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole." Immediately, the disease was taken from her and she felt in her body that she was healed of a terrible plague.

Jesus immediately knew that power had gone from him even though his disciples didn't think it was possible for him to feel someone touch him when there were hundreds of people around him. But the Savior looked around to see who it was.

The woman became frightened and began to tremble because she knew what had happened inside her. She spoke to him, telling him of the miracle to her body. Then Jesus said to her, "Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and whole of thy plague."

Even though Jesus is not physically upon the earth now, miracles are. Through the ages, miracles have been performed through God's prophets, through the Holy Priesthood, and through the prayers and faith of people like you and I. Miracles happen every day, every hour, every minute. Through the great power of the Holy Priesthood, we can receive miracles throughout our lives if we will only have faith in the Savior.

In the Doctrine and Covenants, 35:8-9 we can read more about miracles. "For I am God, and mine arm is not shortened; and I will show miracles, signs, and wonders, unto all those who believe on my name. And whoso shall ask it in my name in faith, they shall cast out devils; they shall heal the sick; they shall cause the blind to receive their sight, and the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak, and the lame to walk."

Miracles are one of the greatest evidences of the divinity of the gospel. We can know that we are following the right path if there are miracles happening around us and to us.

We at Hatch Patch Creations want to bear our testimonies to you that we know that miracles are real, for we have experienced many in our own lives and the lives of those around us. We know that these miracles have come from God and that as long as we believe in Christ and exercise that faith, they will continue to happen. The Lord is so good, so willing to help us if we will just believe. Remember, He is close to us always, closer than we can even imagine.

DISCUSSION

- What is a miracle?
- Have you witnessed miracles in your life or the lives of others?
- What is "Priesthood Power?" (The power to act in God's name.)

Jesus heals a leper

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "leprosy".
Guide under the word "miracle".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "water".
Guide under the word "fish". This reference can be found in the first book of the New Testament.

Card #1

Jesus changes water to wine

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "water".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "fish". This reference can be found in the first book of the New Testament.

Card #2

Jesus feeds five thousand

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "water".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "fish". This reference can be found in the first book of the New Testament.

Card #3

Ten lepers are healed

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "leprosy".
Guide under the word "miracle".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "water".
Guide under the word "fish". This reference can be found in the first book of the New Testament.

Card #4

Mark 5:25-34***Matt. 9:32-33******Matt. 15:32-38******John 4:47-54***

Card #5

Card #6

Card #7

Card #8

Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "Lazarus".
Guide under the word "dead".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "lazarus".
Guide under the word "lazarus".

Card #9

Jesus heals Bartimaeus of his blindness

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "blind".
Guide under the word "blind".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "blind".
Guide under the word "blind".

Card #10

Jesus heals withered hand

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "hand". This reference can be found in the second book of the New Testament.
Guide under the word "hand".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "hand".
Guide under the word "hand".

Card #11

Jesus heals two blind men

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "blind".
Guide under the word "blind".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "blind".
Guide under the word "blind".

Card #12

Luke 8:49-56***Matt. 8:14-15******Mark 8:22-26******Matt. 4:23***

Card #13

Card #14

Card #15

Card #16

Jesus heals a man of palsy

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "palsy".
Guide under the word "palsy".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "palsy".
Guide under the word "palsy".

Card #17

Jesus heals a deaf man

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "miracle".
Guide under the word "miracle".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "miracle".
Guide under the word "miracle".

Card #18

Jesus walks on water

Look in the Topical Guide under the word "walk".
Guide under the word "walk".
Look in the Topical Guide under the word "walk".
Guide under the word "walk".

Card #19

Mark 4:35-41

Card #20

Scripture Chase Answer Sheet

Note: Some cards have clues written on them. Decide before the game if you are going to allow the clues to be used. The ages of your children will help you to determine whether they can be used or not. Also, remember that each of the scripture references can be found in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, who, in some instances each describe the same miracle in their own words. You may find that, during the course of the game, a different reference can be found contrary to what is on the answer sheet.

- Card #1:** Matthew 8:1-3
- Card #2:** John 2:1-11
- Card #3:** Matthew 14:15-21
- Card #4:** Luke 17:12-19
- Card #5:** A woman is healed by her faith
- Card #6:** Jesus casts out a devil and cures the dumb
- Card #7:** Jesus feeds the four thousand
- Card #8:** Jesus heals a nobleman's son
- Card #9:** John 11:1-45
- Card #10:** Mark 10:46-52
- Card #11:** Mark 3:1-5
- Card #12:** Matthew 9:27-31
- Card #13:** Jesus raises Jairus' daughter from the dead
- Card #14:** Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law
- Card #15:** Jesus heals a blind man
- Card #16:** Jesus heals all manner of sickness
- Card #17:** Matthew 9:2-8
- Card #18:** Mark 7:32-36
- Card #19:** Matthew 14:25-33
- Card #20:** Jesus calms the water