

Miracles – what do we learn about Jesus?

What do we learn about us?

Opening prayer

Warm up game:

Post it notes on head – Biblical characters. You have to guess who is on your head, but you can only ask questions for the others to answer yes or no

Eg Am I in the old testament? Am I female?

Post it characters could include:

Daniel

Joseph

Peter

Mary Magdalen

Eve

Adam

Paul

Ruth

Jairus's daughter

Bartimaeus (not blind any more)

Q1 Last week we saw Jesus talk to James and John and then heal Blind Bartimaeus. What did we learn about him? eg

v35 He is loving and patient. He doesn't reprimand James and John. He listens and teaches.

v36 He's asking questions again.

v49 Jesus stopped. He's never too busy for someone who needs Him.

v49 He is the Word of God who holds the world and the Universe in His hands – but he speaks very simply. Beware of people who make it all about themselves and need to draw attention to themselves. Jesus isn't a showman. He doesn't explain to the crowd what He is doing, and why. He just gets on with it.

What do we learn about Jesus this week?

- He is powerful/has authority and heals all of those who came to him;
- When people see him act, they praise God. He points the way to God the father
- He has compassionate;
- He is asking questions again of his disciples;
- He gives thanks for the bread and the fish – he is aware that anything he has comes from God;
- He broke the bread but then gave it to the disciples to give out. God is willing to use his disciples (us) to help other people, and to show him to the world. He doesn't act alone.

Challenge for next week: **memory verse**

To him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us . . . Eph 3:20

Final prayers

Jesus Feeds the Four Thousand

Matthew 15:29-39

²⁹ Jesus left there and went along the Sea of Galilee. Then he went up on a mountainside and sat down. ³⁰ Great crowds came to him, bringing the lame, the blind, the crippled, the mute and many others, and laid them at his feet; and he healed them. ³¹ The people were amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled made well, the lame walking and the blind seeing. And they praised the God of Israel.

³² Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I have compassion for these people; they have already been with me three days and have nothing to eat. I do not want to send them away hungry, or they may collapse on the way."

³³ His disciples answered, "Where could we get enough bread in this remote place to feed such a crowd?"

³⁴ "How many loaves do you have?" Jesus asked.

"Seven," they replied, "and a few small fish."

³⁵ He told the crowd to sit down on the ground. ³⁶ Then he took the seven loaves and the fish, and when he had given thanks, he broke them and gave them to the disciples, and they in turn to the people. ³⁷ They all ate and were satisfied. Afterward the disciples picked up seven basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. ³⁸ The number of those who ate was four thousand men, besides women and children. ³⁹ After Jesus had sent the crowd away, he got into the boat and went to the vicinity of Magadan.

Q1. Last week we saw Jesus Blind Bartimeaus. What did we learn about Jesus then?

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Q2. What do we learn about Him this week? What stands out to you?

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Q3. Why does Jesus heal Blind Bartimeaus but not answer James and John's request?

Closing prayers