FORMATION LESSON 12

JESUS HEALS – SIGNS OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Objective: To encourage the candidates to move beyond the common perspective of Jesus' miracles as magic to a recognition of them as special signs of God's always available healing power. To help the candidates reflect on areas in their lives which might require healing.

What is a miracle in the Bible?

A miracle is an extraordinary and astonishing happening that is attributed to the presence and action of an ultimate or divine power. It is a wonder. A sign of God's power. **Wonders Christ worked for the people to have greater faith.**

Jesus reveals his identity as the Son of God and his mission as our savior.

He captures our imagination and challenges our mind in his role as a Miracle worker. These are the signs of hope that strengthen our faith.

37 Miracles of Jesus Christ

- 1. Turns water into wine. Luke 2:1-11
- 2. Heals an Official's Son. John 4:43-54
- 3. Drives Out Evil Spirit. Mk 1:21-27
- 4. Heals Peter's Mother-in-Law. Lk 4:38-39
- 5. Heals Sick & Oppressed. Mt 8:16-17
- 6. 1st Miraculous Catch of Fish. Lk 5:1-11
- 7. Cleanses Man of Leprosy. Mk 1:40-45
- 8. Healed Centurion's Servant. Mt 8:5-13
- 9.Heals Paralytic. Lk 5:17-26
- 10. Heals Man's Hand on Sabbath. Mk 3:1-6
- 21. Heals Sick as Garments Touched. Mk 6:53-56 22. Heals Demon-Possessed Gentile's Daughter.
- Mk 7:24-30
- 23. Heals Deaf and Dumb Man. Mk 7:31-37 24. Feeds 4.000+ Women & Kids. Mt 15:32-39
- 25. Heals Blind Man. Mk 8:22-26
- 26. Heals Blind Man by Spitting in Eyes. Jn 9:1-12
- 27. Heals Boy w/ Unclean Spirit. Lk 9:37-43 28. Temple Tax Found in Fish's Mouth. Mt
- 17:24-27 29. Heals Blind Mute Demoniac. Lk 11:14-23
- 30. Heals Woman Crippled for 18 Yrs. Lk 13:10-17

- 11. Raises Widow's Son from Dead. Lk 7:11-17
- 12. Calms the Storm on Sea. Mt 8:23-27
- 13. Cast Demons into Herd of Pigs. Mk
- 14. Heals Woman w/ Blood Issue. Lk
- 8:42-48 15.Raises Jarius' Daughter. Mt 9:18-26
- 16. Heals 2 Blind Men. Mt 9:27-31
- 17. Heals Man Unable to Speak. Mt 9:32-34
- 18. Heals Invalid @ Bethsaida Jn 5:1-15
- 19. Feeds 5,000 + Women & Kids. Jn 6:1-15
- 20. Walks on Water. Jn 6:16-21
- 31. Heals Man w/ Dropsy on Sabbath. Lk 14:1-6
- 32. Cleanses 10 Lepers. Lk 17:11-19
- 33. Raises Lazarus from the Dead. Jn 11:1-45
- 34. Restores Sight to Bartimaeus. Mk 10:46-52
- 35. Withers Fig Tree. Mk 11:12-14
- 36. Heals Servant's Severed Ear. Lk 22:50-51
- 37. 2nd Miraculous Catch of Fish. Jn 21:4-11



The Reign of God

- The miracles are a significant way in which Jesus proclaims the Reign of God.
- Through miracles, Jesus demonstrates that the Reign of God has both already begun and is not yet fully realized.



The Miracles of Jesus

Jesus performed many miracles that confirmed the truth of his words and his authority to proclaim his message.

When Jesus said that he could forgive sins, some of the scribes accused Jesus of <u>blasphemy</u>, which is a sin against the dignity of God, since only God can forgive sins.

By healing the sick, Jesus proved that he did, indeed, have the power to forgive.



Kinds of Miracles

- 1) **HEALING** Jesus Heals the Sick
- 2) **NATURE** Jesus demonstrated apparent control over the natural world
- RESTORATION OF LIFE Jesus on three occasions conquers death itself by raising people from the dead
- EXORCISM (Casting out Demons) Jesus drives evil spirit or demons out of
 people.



Match the following

Column A	Column B	Ans
1.Jesus heals a man with leprosy	A. Exorcism	В
2.Jesus raises the son of the widow of Nain	B. Healing miracle	С
3.Jesus calms the storm	C. Restoration of Life	D
4.Jesus drives out evil spirit	D. Nature miracle	Α

Understanding the miracles of Jesus

What do miracles reveal to us?

- God's offer of complete reconciliation
- Commitment to the poor people & outcast of society.
- Complete domination over the power of sin and its evil influences.
- ➤ Healing & Redeeming power of God's love.
- Reveal that because he is God, Jesus has the power to forgive sins. Call us to Trust Jesus.

The Miracles of Jesus

The miracles themselves teach us important truths about God's Kingdom. With different types of miracles, Jesus communicates different truths.



Physical healings demonstrated Jesus' power over sin and revealed that the coming of God's Kingdom brings wholeness and happiness. When Jesus drove out evil spirits through exorcisms, he established his power over Satan. Jesus showed his power over the forces of nature, since all of creation came to be through him, with various nature miracles. And by raising people from the dead, Jesus proved his mastery over life and death as the true Son of God.

Mining the meaning of Miracles- Page number 37

Read the 5 scripture passages below and select one passage and complete the questions on page number 37.

- > The calming of the storm Mark 4:35-41
- > The healing of the paralytic Mark:1-12
- Jesus walks on the water Matthew 14:22-33
- The healing of a blind man Mark 10:46-52
- > The multiplication of the loaves Mark 6:30-44

What do you want me to do for you? Page number 38

Read the story of Healing of Bartimeus (Mark 10:46-52). Write in the space provided your response and reflection on this passage.

Bible Study: 1 Samuel 27

1. How many men were with David when he escaped from Saul?

600

2. Where did David go when he escaped from Saul?

King A'chish of Gath

3. Which place did King of A'chish give David?

Zik'lag

4. Was David a trusted man for King of A'chish?

Yes

Bible Study: 1 Samuel 28

- 1. Where did King Saul go to seek the help of a medium?
 - a. Endor b. Jezreel c. Ramah d. Gath
- 2. Saul consulted the medium to speak to Samuel who was dead, what message did Samuel give Saul?
 - a. That the Lord will give the army of Israel along with you (Saul) into the hands of the Philistines
 - b. The Lord is with you
 - c. The son of Jessee will protect Israel
 - d. Your house will be given to another

True or False

3. Saul asks the medium to bring up David for him.

False (Samuel)

Who Said To Whom.

- 4. "The Lord will give Israel along with you into the hands of the Philistines"
 - a. Jonathan to Saul
 - b. Samuel to Saul
 - c. Samuel to the Israelites
 - d. Samuel to David