

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7 God of Wonders Part 1: Miracles of Jesus Unit 4, Lesson 21

Appearing to the Disciples

Lesson Aim: To see Jesus helps us understand the Bible.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: Which miracle has shown you Jesus can save us?

GAME: Miracle Clues

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS SAVIOR

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 119:73.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bonzai Brothers script or read storybook.

THE WORD JESUS OPENS THEIR MINDS TO THE SCRIPTURES

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus appeared and proved to Thomas that He was the risen Lord.

Today, we will learn about a different time when Jesus appeared to the disciples in Jerusalem. If a map of Ancient Israel is available, point to Jerusalem. After they discovered Jesus' tomb was empty, they still did not understand that God had raised Him from the dead. The disciples had gathered together and were talking about Jesus appearing to Peter and then to the men on the road to Emmaus. As they were speaking, Jesus appeared to them! Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 24:36-45. Pray.

Jesus opened the minds of the disciples to help them understand the Scriptures. To have an "open mind" is a saying that means to be ready to learn and accept something new. Read Luke 24:36-45.

THE WAY JESUS OPENS OUR MINDS TO THE SCRIPTURES

What did Jesus do that day to show His disciples that He was not a ghost? (He showed them the wounds on His hands and feet. He let them touch Him and see Him eat fish.)

Jesus had already told the disciples He was going to die and, in three days, be raised to life. Even after they saw He was alive again, they still did not understand. What did Jesus do about this? (He opened their minds to help them understand.)

Jesus opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures, which is another name for God's Word, the Bible. The Scriptures promised God would send a Savior, who was Jesus. Just as He did for the disciples, Jesus helps us understand the Scriptures, so we will know who He is and what He has done.

Some parts of the Bible are hard to understand. If Jesus helped the disciples understand, do you think He will help you too? If Jesus appeared in this room now, what would you ask Him about Himself or about the Bible?

Jesus said everything written about the Savior in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms must come true. Then He reminded them of what the scriptures said and showed them how those Scriptures proved that Jesus was the promised Savior.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

When Jesus gave the disciples understanding about the Scriptures, He answered a prayer that a psalmist prayed more than 400 years earlier. Reveal Psalm 119:34. Read.

We all have questions about Jesus and about the Bible. Let's ask Jesus to open our minds to help us understand who Jesus is and what He has done for us. Teacher or child leads brief prayer asking Jesus to help everyone understand the Scriptures.

If time allows, play MIRACLE MOUNTAIN in the GOT TIME? segment.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: "They Saw Miracles" Word Search
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Jesus appearing to His disciples
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Daily Way Celebration

GAMES: Name that Miracle, Miracle Mountain

CRAFT: My Favorite Miracle Card

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: The Wave, Walking on the Word

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