



# Miracles

**MEMORY VERSE:**

**John 14:12**, "...I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in Me will do the same works I have done." (NLT)

**BOTTOM LINE:**

A miracle is when God changes the normal course of nature.

▶ Today the lesson is on miracles and you will teach three points.

1. What a miracle is.
2. Bible examples of miracles.
3. Do miracles still happen today?

**What is a miracle?** We use the word miracle for many different reasons. We talk about miracle food, miracle drugs, and miracle computers. Every time a baby is born people say that is a miracle, but what does the Bible mean when it says "miracle?"

A miracle is when God changes the normal course of nature.

A miracle is a supernatural event.

It is totally amazing when a baby is born, but it is not a supernatural event. When the baby Jesus was born that was a supernatural event, because Jesus did not have an earthly father.

**There are many Bible examples of miracles:**

- David slew a lion and a bear with his bare hands. That was a miracle.
- Daniel was thrown into the lion's den and an angel shut the lion's mouth. That was a miracle.
- Jesus walked on the water. That was a miracle.

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**Do miracles still happen today?** Jesus said that we would do the works that He did. We don't have a junior Holy Spirit. We have the same Holy Spirit that Jesus had. We have the same Holy Spirit that Peter, James and John had. We cannot make miracles happen, only God can: however, we can pray and ask God to pour out the Holy Spirit on all people (Acts 2:17) and that includes the gift of miracles. If the Holy Spirit is still here, then miracles still happen today, so expect a miracle.



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**MOTION COMIC:**  
*The Adventures of the Masked Hero*  
*Holy Spirit: Episode #12*

**▶ TO THE KIDS:**

- Wow! That was a crazy idea.
- What did Johnny try and do?
- Can we just decide to do a miracle like parting the water in a swimming pool?
- No. The gifts of the Spirit are as the Spirit wills.
- In other words, miracles do happen today, but God is the one who decides when they happen.



*Panel 1*



*Panel 2*

*Panel 3*

*Panel 4*





***Low Price Lou: "Miracle Lou" Drama Script — Continued***

Low Price Lou: That is a good trick. How does He do that?

Teacher: God can do anything!

Low Price Lou: Can he juggle chain saws?

Teacher: He could if he wanted to.

Low Price Lou: Can he breathe underwater?

Teacher: I suppose He could.

Low Price Lou: Could he get you to buy a couple of my products here?

Teacher: God's in the business of real miracles that help people, not tricks and gimmicks.

Low Price Lou: That's too bad. I got some great magic tricks for sale on the cheap!

Teacher: Lou, have you ever read the miracles in the Bible?

Low Price Lou: No. Now, pal, you buying something or not?

Teacher: One time there was a man who had leprosy...

Low Price Lou: Leprosy? Where?

Lou panics and runs away or jumps on a chair-whichever is available.

Teacher: Nobody here has leprosy. It was in Biblical times.

Low Price Lou: Oh, good. I don't sell any kind of leprosy meds... unless you need some.

Teacher: No, no need, because Jesus touched the leper's head and healed him.

Low Price Lou: What? You gotta be pullin' my leg!

Teacher: Nope, it really happened. He was completely healed.

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**Low Price Lou: “Miracle Lou” Drama Script — Continued**

Low Price Lou: You can’t kid a kidder, pal. Old Lou’s been around the block.

Teacher: It’s true! Jesus healed the man. Jesus performed a lot of miracles.

Low Price Lou: You think you could, uh, teach me how to do it? I could make a fortune running a miracle show!

Teacher: The performing of miracles is a Gift of the Spirit, not some stunt show.

Low Price Lou: You gotta show me. I could be the next Houdini!

Teacher: It’s good to want to see miracles, but I think you want it for the wrong reasons.

Low Price Lou: I’ll give you a hundred bucks...a thousand...five thousand. Just tell me how to do these miracles.

Teacher: They’re not something you can buy or sell.

Low Price Lou: I’ll find someone who can sell me some real miracles. Vegas! Yeah, that’s it. They must have them in Vegas. Or Walmart, they have everything there.

Lou talks to himself as he exits with his bright bag.

Teacher: That guy is just out to con people for money. Lou just couldn’t understand that God wants to give us the working of miracles, so that people will believe in Him.

**THE END**



**OBJECT LESSON**

***A Modern Miracle***

**SCRIPTURE REFERENCE:**

1 Corinthians 12:10

**TAKE HOME POINT:**

A miracle is when God changes the normal course of nature.  
A miracle is a supernatural event.

**WHAT YOU NEED:**

1 cell phone and a handwritten letter with envelope and stamp.

**OBJECT LESSON APPLICATION:**

A miracle is when God changes the normal course of nature.  
A miracle is a supernatural event.

I have in my hand a piece of technology that has changed the world. It could be called a miracle. What is this? A cell phone.

Think about it - a hundred years ago the primary form of long distance communication was by letter. You would take a piece of paper, write your letter, put it in an envelope and write an address on it. The last thing would be to put a stamp on it and take it to the post office. The post office would then deliver your letter. It may take a week or more. Today they call this "snail mail" because it is a very slow way to communicate.

Then, in 1876, Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone, in which articulate speech could be electronically transmitted and received through electrical currents.

Since then, the technology has jumped and improved. I can call my grandmother in California and talk to her - right now. I

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***A Modern Miracle Object Lesson — continued***

can find out what she is wearing, what she is doing and what she will have for dinner tonight. Some say this a miracle because she lives over 1000 miles away from me. (This is a good time to talk about what your phone can do - in the way of communicating, if you have an iPhone, etc. You may want to talk about skyping, twitter, etc. If you have two phones you can do a demonstration of skype.)

We use the word miracle everyday. We talk about miracle food, miracle drugs, and miracle computers. Every time a baby is born people say that is a miracle. Is a newborn baby a miracle? Is my new cell phone a miracle? Not really. Talking to my grandmother in California on my cellphone is a product of today's technology. When a baby is born it is a natural course of nature.

A miracle is when God changes the normal course of nature. A miracle is a supernatural event. When Jesus fed 5000 people with just five loaves of bread and two fishes, that was a miracle. It was not a natural way to have dinner. When David beat up a lion with his bare hands, that was a miracle. It was not a natural thing for a man to do.

A miracle is not magic. You can't walk around and say things like, "Tree, fly through the air." That is not necessary. A miracle only comes into manifestation when it is needed and it is supernatural. You cannot make miracles happen. Only God can. The Bible says it is as the Spirit wills.

**INTER-ACTIVE  
OBJECT LESSON*****The Dinner Miracle*****▶ WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:**

A miracle is a supernatural event.

**▶ WHAT YOU NEED:**

Goldfish crackers (large box) (if your budget allows buy enough for every child)  
12 paper bags with goldfish in them - for the disciples to hand out  
Paper bag with fake fish and bread

**WHAT TO DO:**

- ▶ • Pick out 13 people to help you. (Jesus and his 12 disciples.) You can use less disciples if you have a smaller class.
- You will re-tell the Bible story and the disciples will hand out goldfish to children in class.

**SPIRITUAL APPLICATION:**

(Read the story on the following page. Ask kids to act out while you are reading the story. While you tell the story have your disciples hand out the fishes randomly to children in the class.)

Is this story of Jesus feeding the 5000 a normal way to have dinner or is it a miracle? A miracle. A miracle is a supernatural event. It is when God changes the normal course of nature. In this story what was the normal course of nature? The people would have left and gone home to cook their own dinner. Why did this miracle happen? Jesus had compassion on the people (verse 34) and ministered to them. There were 5000 hungry people. The story tells us that they were in a desert place, so they were far from a town. The people had been there all day and there was no food - except the five loaves and two fishes. What was the miracle? The supernatural event that took place was that Jesus fed 5000 with five loaves of bread and two fishes. That was some fish dinner prepared by the hand of God.

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**RETELLING THE STORY: Jesus Feeds 5000!**

Mark 6:31-44

After John the Baptist was killed, Jesus wanted to be by himself (Jesus walks away to the side by Himself). He went on a ship. When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and began to minister to them.

As evening approached, the disciples came to him (have the disciples approach Jesus) and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

(One of the disciples brings Jesus a paper bag with a 5 loaves and 2 fish in it.) "We only have five loaves of bread and two fish."

"Bring them here to me," He said.

Jesus directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, He gave thanks and broke the loaves. (Have Jesus pray over the bag with the fake bread and fish.)

Then He gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.



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## DIGITAL REVIEW QUESTIONS

NEEDED: Review Prizes (penny candy for right answers)

### ▶ TO THE TEACHER:

The **Digital Review Questions** are a part of “The Masked Hero” download.

Once you get to the Memory Verse, then **PAUSE** the video.

After you have done your teaching then **PLAY** the Digital Review Questions.

You can turn this into a **Review Game** by rewarding kids for correct answers.

1. John 14:12 says, “I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in Me will \_\_\_\_.”  
**A. do the same works I have done**  
B. do good in school  
C. turn into Captain America  
D. get big muscles
2. A miracle is when God \_\_\_\_.  
A. changes his mind  
**B. changes the normal course of nature**  
C. changes His clothes  
D. created Daylight Savings Time
3. A miracle is \_\_\_\_.  
A. really good laundry detergent  
B. when the Saints won the Super Bowl  
C. when Beethoven wrote the 5th Symphony  
**D. a supernatural event**
4. What is a Bible example of a miracle?  
A. Jesus feeding the 5000  
B. Daniel in the lion’s den  
C. When David beat up the lion and the bear  
**D. All of the above**
5. Miracles do not happen today.  
A. Maybe  
B. True  
**C. False**  
D. All of the above



# Miracles

## PROP LIST (Props, supplies, costumes and characters)

- \_\_\_\_\_ Participation Awards (Large candy bars or prizes)  
\_\_\_\_\_ How many needed?
- \_\_\_\_\_ Review Prizes (penny candy)

### Low Price Lou: "Miracle Lou" — Pages 5-7

Characters: Low Price Lou

#### Props & Costumes

- \_\_\_\_\_ Low Price Lou Costume
- \_\_\_\_\_ Colored bag containing a deck of cards and magic tricks

### Object Lesson: A Modern Miracle — Pages 8-9

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 cell phone or iPad
- \_\_\_\_\_ Handwritten letter with envelope and stamp

### Inter-Active Lesson: A Dinner Miracle — Pages 10-11

- \_\_\_\_\_ Goldfish crackers (large box) (if you have it in your budget enough for every child - either individual packets or in baggies)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12 paper bags with goldfish in them - for the disciples to hand out
- \_\_\_\_\_ Paper bag with fake fish and bread

### Small Group: What Is A Miracle?

- \_\_\_\_\_ Package of flower seeds & large picture of same flower full grown  
\_\_\_\_\_ How many needed?

### Special Edition: Pastoring Your Kids

- \_\_\_\_\_ How many needed?