

Jesus Does Wonderful Things

“Truly you are the Son of God.”
Matthew 14:33

To show us that He is really the Son of God, Jesus did many wonderful things that were beyond human power. We call these things **miracles**. Here are some of the miracles of Jesus:

One time, Jesus finished teaching five thousand people. Then it was late and everyone was hungry, but there wasn't enough food for everyone. So Jesus took five loaves of bread and two fishes and made them into enough for all of them, all five thousand people.

Another day Jesus and the Apostles were out on a boat when a big storm came. The Apostles were afraid the boat would sink so they called to Jesus, “Save us, Lord.” Jesus told the wind and waves to be quiet, and everything grew calm, just like that! Only God can make the weather obey.

Another time a man came to Jesus. "Please come to my house," he said. "My little girl is sick." Jesus was sad about this so He went with him. On the way, someone from the man's house met them and he said, "It is too late. She's dead." But Jesus went right on to the house and He took the child's hand. "Get up little girl," Jesus said. The little girl opened her eyes and got up. Jesus had brought her back to life.

Jesus did many other miracles too. He made blind people see, He made deaf people hear, and He made sick people well.

Because Jesus is God, He could help anyone who asked Him for help. But He would only help them if it really was good for them, and if it was for the best. Jesus wants you to ask Him for help when you need it too. In the prayer Jesus gave us, we say, "Give us this day our daily bread," and that means asking for just about anything we need.

One day, some people carried a very sick man to Jesus. The man couldn't walk or even move his arms. But before Jesus made him better, He said, "Your sins are forgiven." Then He said, "Get up and walk." The

man got up and walked. He felt so much better because his sins were gone too.

Because Jesus is God, He could heal the sick. Because Jesus is God, He can **forgive** sins. If we are sorry for our sins, Jesus will forgive them too.

Words to Know:

miracle

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Q. 33 *Why did Jesus perform miracles?*

Jesus performed miracles to show us that He is truly the Son of God (CCC 515).

16 We Believe in Jesus

“And whatever you ask in prayer,
you will receive, if you have faith.”

Matthew 21:22

Jesus is God’s Son and the Savior of the world. He wants everyone to **believe** in Him. To believe is to accept that what someone says is true, even if you have never heard it before. That is why Jesus did all those miracles, and that is why He taught people. If you believe in Jesus, He will give you a reward, like in this real story:

Once there was a blind man. When Jesus was walking by, the blind man called out, “Jesus help me.” “What do you want me to do?” Jesus asked. “Please make me see,” begged the blind man. “Because you believe that I can do this, you will see,” Jesus said. And He cured the blind man then and there.

Another day, a man came to ask Jesus to cure his dying servant, who was at home. “Lord,” the man said, “I am not worthy (that means ‘not good enough’)

for you to enter my house. But I know that if you just say one word, you can cure my servant from here.” Jesus was so pleased with the man’s faith that when the man came home, the servant was better. Jesus had cured him.

Jesus wants you to believe in Him too. You can pray:

Lord, I believe in You. Please help those who do not believe in You. *Amen.*

They did this:	And this is what happened:
The blind man believed in Jesus.	Jesus made him see.
The man with the dying servant believed in Jesus.	Jesus cured the servant.

You do this:	And this is what will happen:
You believe in Jesus.	Jesus promises to bring you to Heaven to be happy with Him forever.