

THE MIRACLES AND MINISTRY OF JESUS

MEMORY VERSE FOR THIS UNIT

“While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, ‘This is my Son, whom I love; with him I’m well pleased. Listen to him!’” (Matthew 17:5, NIV*).

OBJECTIVES OF THIS UNIT

This unit will help the children:• Understand that Jesus acted and taught in a wonderful way so that they would believe and have faith in him• Know that Jesus, being the Son of God, healed diseases and raised the dead; and that same Jesus can help them today when they have needs• Understand that Jesus, as the Son of God, has power over the forces of nature, over diseases and over everything else; and we can know that he is with us especially when we are afraid• Know that Jesus asked his followers to help him in his work and that he enabled them to carry it out; and we must be willing to do what the Lord asks of us and to trust that he will help us accomplish that task.

THE REASON WE TEACH THIS UNIT

At this age, your children are going through a time where the capacity for wonder is very high and curiosity drives them to discover new things. This means that the extraordinary events of Jesus are seen by them in a very special way. Therefore, seeing Jesus who, although he looked like an ordinary man, calmed the waves of the sea with the authority of his voice, completely healed the centurion’s son who was on the verge of death, and performed feats of his own, will impact your students. And it will be difficult for them to forget the power of God. It is good to point out that Jesus did not do miracles just to entertain people, but to attract them to himself and change their lives.