

MIRACLES

THE LIFE OF CHRIST WITH SAINT LUKE



JESUS AND THE CENTURION OF CAPERNAUM

Read or Tell the Story: Orthodox Children's Bible Reader - page 189

Then go over the icon with the children. Where's Jesus? What is he doing with His hand? Where is the centurion? Where is his sick servant? Who do you think is standing behind Jesus? What happens to the sick servant?

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GOAL

Learn about two of the miracles of Christ & expand our literacy in relation to icons

2

AT CHURCH

We learn about the miracles of Christ during the Gospel readings.

3

AT HOME

We learn about the miracles of Christ when we read the Bible to our kids at home.



Class routine:
Move my photo from
"home" to "church"



Class routine:
Light a candle -
respectfully
prayerfully
without playing



Class routine:
Venerate our icon



Sing "Lord have
mercy" in
English, Greek,
Arabic, Romanian

RAISING OF THE WIDOW'S SON IN NAIN

Read or tell the story from Luke 7:11-17

Where is Jesus in this icon? Who is the woman kneeling before Jesus? Where is the widow's son? What happened to him? Can you find the crowd of people surrounding Jesus, the widow, and her son?



1ST SEMESTER REVIEW

We are going to take the opportunity to review what we've learned so far this year. You have several options for how you want to approach this review.

- Review your file folders with the kids
- Review the icons we've learned about this year. Ask each child to choose one icon and tell the class about it.
- Ask the kids to tell you about a parable or miracle they learned about this year

- Lay the icons out on the table and then ask them to find an icon with...
 - St. John the Baptist
 - Jesus
 - The Theotokos
 - An angel
 - The Disciples
 - A miracle
 - A parable

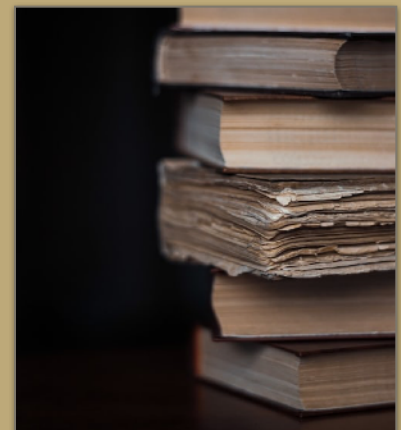
SING

Lord have mercy
(English, Greek, Arabic, Romanian)

EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

The Gospel of Luke: Good News for the Poor by Fr. Lawrence Farley, pages 149-165

The Explanation of the Holy Gospel According to Luke by Blessed Theophylact, pages 73-81



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AT HOME

FOR PARENTS

Since the illnesses (of the people) were many and varied, and Hadjiephentis (St. Arsenios) could not always find a corresponding prayer for each, he would take the book of Psalms and use those as well. He would read the Gospel usually in only very serious cases, such as for the blind, the mute, the paralyzed and the possessed. When

he saw someone physically ill, who was also spiritually sick, he did not heal him at once, but gradually, that is, he told him to come again and again, until he had healed him spiritually, and only then did he also miraculously make him physically well with the final prayer.

Saint Paisios of Mount Athos

Saint Arsenios the Cappadocian, page 63

HOME ACTIVITY #11

WATCH TOGETHER AND DISCUSS:

- (YouTube) [Capernaum, Greek Orthodox Christian Church on the Sea of Galilee](#) - It's important for us to read the Bible and the lives of the saints to our children often. When we have taught our kids about the life of Christ and His saints, they have a foundation for reading the icons around them.
- (YouTube) [Nain Israel: Come with me to where Jesus raised the widow's son](#) - The Church has often built churches upon sites as a witness to Christ's life and His saints.



