



Small Group Guide Sheet

Older – Jan 21 & Feb 1

Lesson:	Healing Miracles
Callback:	LT: Jesus Calls Us Students: To Abundant Life
Memory Verse:	HOT Seat! (LT will lead this and it will be used for Unit 5.)
SOAP:	We have two healing stories to read. We will read and discuss one at a time. SGG reads John 4:46-54 to the students. Here we see Jesus heals a boy without being with him and the man believes that Jesus healed his son. The man returns home to find out that his son was healed at the very same moment Jesus spoke those words to him!!! Now SGG reads John 5:1-18 to the students. Jesus speaks and commands the man to pick up his mat and he walks!!!
Observation	Let's think about this – if everyone of us showed our love by helping others we can help a lot of people. Just like Jesus. 1. What is a miracle? 2. Have you or someone you know experienced a miracle? 3. What might be considered a miracle today?
Application	There are 3 different types of miracle stories: 1. Healing – where a person identified with an identified need (ex. Lame/blind) which Jesus either touches or commands the person to do something (get up, walk) and they are healed. 2. Exorcisms – like healing but involves a personified evil, such as a demon.

	<p>3. Natural – where Jesus exerts power over nature.</p> <p>What do miracles tell us about Jesus? (They show his compassion for those in need, his power over forces of sin and evil, and his command over nature.)</p>
Activity	<p>Miracle Concentration: Turn all the cards face down on the table and mix them up. Turn two cards over at a time to try to find pairs. Take the pairs out of the game or turn them back over if they did not match. Try to name the miracle story and the type of miracle.</p>
Prayer	<p>Jesus, your miracles are amazing!!! We cannot understand how great you truly are. Help us remember that you will always be near, even when we do not realize it, and that your power is great. Help us to see and help as you do. Amen</p>