









Lesson One	Lesson Two and Three	Lesson Four and Five
<p>LI: Retell in any form the visit of the Magi and explain what the visit of the Magi and the gifts they bring show us about Jesus. 20+C+M+B+25 is a Christian Epiphany tradition where chalk is used to bless a home. Matthew 2:1-12 ¹ After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, suddenly some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east ² asking, 'Where is the infant king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' ³ When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. ⁴ He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵ They told him, 'At Bethlehem in Judaea, for this is what the prophet wrote. ⁶ And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, you are by no means the least among the leaders of Judah, for from you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.' ⁷ Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared. ⁸ and sent them on to Bethlehem with the words, 'Go and find out all about the child, and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' ⁹ Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And suddenly the star they had seen rising went forward and halted over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ The sight of the star filled them with delight, ¹¹ and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹² But they were given a warning in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.</p> 	<p>LI: To show an understanding of what the kingdom of God is and is not. LI: To retell the Parable of the Sower. LI: To show knowledge of two parables of Jesus, making links between them, to show some understanding of what the Kingdom of God is like. Matthew 13:4-17 Parable of the Sower ⁴ As he sowed, some seeds fell on the edge of the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Others fell on patches of rock where they found little soil and sprang up at once, because there was no depth of earth; ⁶ but as soon as the sun came up they were scorched and, not having any roots, they withered away. ⁷ Others fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Anyone who has ears should listen!' ¹⁰ Then the disciples went up to him and asked, 'Why do you talk to them in parables?' ¹¹ In answer, he said, 'Because to you is granted to understand the mysteries of the kingdom of Heaven, but to them it is not granted. ¹² Anyone who has will be given more and will have more than enough; but anyone who has not will be deprived even of what he has. ¹³ The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding. ¹⁴ So in their case what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah is being fulfilled: Listen and listen, but never understand! Look and look, but never perceive! ¹⁵ This people's heart has grown coarse, their ears dulled, they have shut their eyes tight to avoid using their eyes to see, their ears to hear, their heart to understand, changing their ways and being healed by me. ¹⁶ But blessed are your eyes because they see, your ears because they hear! ¹⁷ In truth I tell you, many prophets and upright people longed to see what you see, and never saw it; to hear what you hear, and never heard it.</p> 	<p>LI: Show knowledge of two parables of Jesus, making links between them, to show some understanding of what the Kingdom of God is like. Jesus was a wonderful storyteller and used things that people of his time could understand to give a message. What might Jesus have told stories about today if he was preaching to us or giving us a message? The Kingdom of God start of small like a mustard seed and grows when little things are done to help others as they show God is working through us spreading love, peace, kindness etc – Kingdom values which we will explore later – The Kingdom of God is there for everyone like the tree in the parable. All are welcome. Matthew 13: 31-32 Parable of the Mustard Seed ³¹ He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; ³² it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." Matthew 13: 33 Parable of the Yeast ³³ He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of Heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.' Matthew 13: 44-46 Parable of the Treasure and of the Pearl ⁴⁴ 'The kingdom of Heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off in his joy, sells everything he owns and buys the field. ⁴⁵ 'Again, the kingdom of Heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; ⁴⁶ when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it. Saint Teresa taught that building the Kingdom of God involves transforming everyday life into acts of love. How should we behave in the Kingdom OF God?</p> 
<p>Magi Gifts Adoration Epiphany</p>	<p>Kingdom of God Parable Matthew Sower</p>	<p>Parable of the Sower growing, actions Jesus' message Kingdom of God</p>



Lesson Six	Lesson Seven	Lesson Eight
<p>LI: To show a simple understanding of a miracle of Jesus showing that it is a sign of the kingdom and compassion of Jesus.</p> <p>LI: To show that miracles are a sign of the Kingdom and the compassion of Jesus.</p> <p>LI: Asking and answering questions about the feelings of the characters in one of the stories studied.</p> <p>The miracles that Jesus worked expressed his love for all people and were signs that the Kingdom of God was beginning.</p> <p>Matthew 8:5-15 The Cure of the Paralytic</p> <p>⁵ When he went into Capernaum a centurion came up and pleaded with him. ⁶ 'Sir,' he said, 'my servant is lying at home paralysed and in great pain.' ⁷ Jesus said to him, 'I will come myself and cure him.' ⁸ The centurion replied, 'Sir, I am not worthy to have you under my roof; just give the word and my servant will be cured.' ⁹ For I am under authority myself and have soldiers under me; and I say to one man, "Go," and he goes; to another, "Come here," and he comes; to my servant, "Do this," and he does it.' ¹⁰ When Jesus heard this he was astonished and said to those following him, 'In truth I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found faith as great as this.' ¹¹ And I tell you that many will come from east and west and sit down with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob at the feast in the kingdom of Heaven; ¹² but the children of the kingdom will be thrown out into the darkness outside, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.' ¹³ And to the centurion Jesus said, 'Go back, then; let this be done for you, as your faith demands.' And the servant was cured at that moment.</p>  <p>Just like Jesus showed kindness to others. How do we need to change our behaviour to show commitment to building the Kingdom?</p>	<p>LI: To show a simple understanding of a miracle of Jesus showing that it is a sign of the kingdom and compassion of Jesus.</p> <p>LI: To show that miracles are a sign of the Kingdom and the compassion of Jesus.</p> <p>LI: Asking and answering questions about the feelings of the characters in one of the stories studied.</p> <p>The miracles that Jesus worked expressed his love for all people and were signs that the Kingdom of God was beginning.</p> <p>Matthew 8:23-27 The Calming of the Storm at Sea.</p> <p>23^a He got into a boat and his disciples followed him. 24 Suddenly a violent storm^a came up on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by waves; but he was asleep. 25^b They came and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" 26 He said to them, "Why are you terrified, O you of little faith?"^c Then he got up, rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was great calm. 27 The men were amazed and said, "What sort of man is this, whom even the winds and the sea obey?"</p> 	<p>LI: To recall the 'Our Father' prayer and make simple links between the prayer and building the kingdom.</p> <p>LI: To reflect on how Jesus teaches what the Kingdom of God is like, including thinking about the 'Our Father' prayer.</p> <p>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen</p> <p>Matthew 6: 5-15 Jesus taught the Disciples how to Pray</p> <p>⁵ 'And when you pray, do not imitate the hypocrites: they love to say their prayers standing up in the synagogues and at the street corners for people to see them. In truth I tell you, they have had their reward. ⁶ But when you pray, go to your private room, shut yourself in, and so pray to your Father who is in that secret place, and your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.' ⁷ 'In your prayers do not babble as the gentiles do, for they think that by using many words they will make themselves heard. ⁸ Do not be like them; your Father knows what you need before you ask him.' ⁹ So you should pray like this: Our Father in heaven, may your name be held holy, ¹⁰ your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. ¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we have forgiven those who are in debt to us. ¹³ And do not put us to the test, but save us from the Evil One. ¹⁴ 'Yes, if you forgive others their failings, your heavenly Father will forgive you yours; ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others, your Father will not forgive your failings either.'</p> 
<p>Kingdom of God Miracle Compassion Power Faith Suffering Cure</p>		<p>Our Father Prayer Building the Kingdom Reflect Disciples</p>

