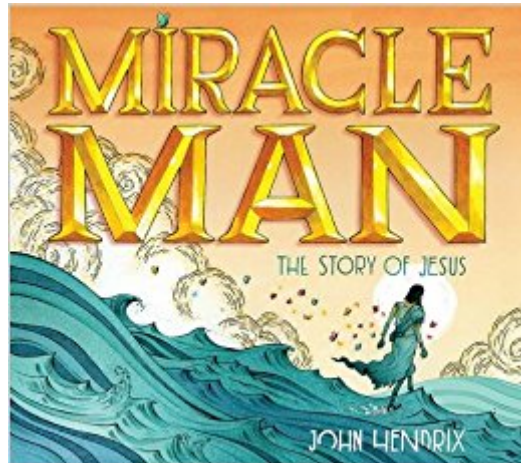




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Miracle Man: The Story Of Jesus



Synopsis

Miracle Man is a beautifully illustrated biography of Jesus Christ by award-winning author and illustrator John Hendrix. For all Christian denominations and perfect for families to share throughout the year, this book will be especially beloved by the faithful as a gift for Easter, communions, christenings, religious graduations, and all other secular holidays. This book freshly reinterprets some of the oldest and best-known stories in human history and focuses on some of the many miracles that Jesus performed before his crucifixion. Jesus's miracles are endless. From the large harvest of fish to washing the unclean, healing the sick, feeding the poor, and walking on water, Jesus performs feats that draw in believers that he is the Son of God. Unfortunately it also attracts the attention of nonbelievers, who saddle him with the cross he must bear. After all of his miraculous acts, the book closes with a final wonder for all to see—one that changes faith and religion as the world knows it, forever. The book includes a list of Bible stories that inspired it. Award-winning author and illustrator John Hendrix offers his most personal work to date. Known for his striking use of illustration mixed with custom fonts, his depiction of the life of Jesus Christ will be cherished by the faithful everywhere.

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Customer Reviews

K-Gr 3-Through selected Gospel stories and bold pen-and-ink illustrations, Hendrix portrays the

miraculous life of Jesus in this unique retelling. Employing simple, child-friendly language, the author reveals how Jesus "was like none who had lived before" and how his words "made things happen." Hendrix demonstrates how, while performing a series of miracles including healing the sick, feeding thousands with a meager supply of loaves and fishes, calming the stormy seas, and walking on water, Jesus gathered crowds of followers and attracted enemies, who didn't approve of the adulation he garnered. Although Jesus was ultimately betrayed and sent to die, in the end, he was able to perform "one last glorious miracle." Hendrix embeds hand-lettering into his drawings, and the design and format of the spreads call to mind modern graphic novels. Despite the contemporary feel of the artwork and language, the illustrations are also replete with historically accurate details of life in biblical times. The doubt and fear of the disciples as they cross the sea with Jesus in a tiny boat is evident in a striking spread dominated by the rain-swept ocean and accompanied by the question "Don't you care if we die?" VERDICT Hendrix eloquently conveys the life-changing power of faith in this distinctive snapshot of the life and teachings of Jesus, providing an appealing introduction to more complete collections of Bible stories.-Linda L. Walkins, Saint Joseph Preparatory High School, Boston

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"When he speaks, his words burst into teeming flights of butterflies, lightning bolts, monumental wood and stone letters, or page-filling arrays of exclamatory display type... Brief of text but memorably illustrated." (Kirkus)"...These miracles give Hendrix the opportunity to showcase his inventive artwork, which forms letters from birds and butterflies and uses strong graphic elements to capture the wonder of Jesus's life... a visually exciting and fresh take on the age-old story" (Booklist)"...Hendrix enhances pivotal moments through his customary use of bold, hand-lettered text, giving dramatic visual power to the godly force behind Jesus's words...an emotional and approachable account of the gospel that should have broad Christian appeal." (Publisher's Weekly)"...Hendrix eloquently conveys the life-changing power of faith in this distinctive snapshot of the life and teachings of Jesus, providing an appealing introduction to more complete collections of Bible stories." (School Library Journal)"Hendrix's retelling of the three years of Jesus's public ministry is clearly an authentic labor of love from the pen and brush of a true believer..." (Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books)

I liked this book. It had great pictures and a good story but there are two main things that stopped me from giving it 5 stars. First some of the writing is in the picture of in a fancy text. As an adult this

is fine but as I encourage my son to read it is a hard for him to realize it is part of the story. Also the very end talks about Jesus dying and then there is a picture of him alive but no words? I wanted a HE IS ALIVE type page not nothing. I was disappointed as after all the fancy drawings and words it was a huge disappointment. I liked the pictures as they are not super cute so my older child could enjoy this book too.

This unusual book gives us insights into the life of Christ that we simply won't find anywhere else. Well written and marvelously illustrated, it's a joy to read and study and share with others. May God bless John, and establish the work of his hands (Psalm 90:17)!

The gorgeous art in this book is enough of a reason to buy Miracle Man. However, the retelling and reimagining of the miracles of Jesus makes for a fascinating read and perhaps a good way to introduce children to the stories of Jesus' life.

I really like John Hendrix illustrations. Was curious about this book since I am a fan of his Drawings from Church that he publishes on his website. The illustrations in this book did not dissappoint, I only wish it was longer. I am not a Christian (grew up Catholic, now an atheist) but still loved this book. If you are a fan of interesting design, composition, use of color and drawing craftsmanship this book is a treat.

We are flipping out in my office, high in the church building, over this book. Not only is it BEAUTIFUL, but the story itself is so wonderfully crafted to focus on the "Miracle Man" - who brings life from death. I highly recommend this book as a christian educator and will be sending copies to all my family and friends.

Perfect for everyone, not just children! A must-have for every Christian home or business. My husband and I loved it. The illustrations are incredible and each time you look at it you see a new detail you missed. The author's notes at the end touched our hearts as he showed us his.

This book is great! I am consistently upset with the lack of artistic talent in Christian children's books. This one is chalked full of biblical truth, and beautiful illustration! Highly recommend.

My boys and I really enjoyed this book. It clearly portrays Jesus and the many miracles he

performed. It also incorporates scripture using portions of the drawings. I'm sure we will read it often.

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