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Portraits of God's Gifts

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1. THE CROSS

Christ crucified is God's power and wisdom. The death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus fulfilled the promise of God to send a Savior. We are made children of God through faith in Jesus.

Key verse - 24 "He Himself bore our sins" in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by His wounds you have been healed." 25 For "you were like sheep going astray,"[a] but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls. 1 Peter 2:24-25

Question - Why do you think we have choices to believe or not believe?

2. THE VINE AND THE BRANCHES

Jesus explains how His relationship with His loved ones allows them to bear Spiritual fruit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Key verse - "5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

Question - How can you remain connected to the vine so that you may bear fruit?

3. THE FISH AND THE LOAVES

Jesus has great compassion for us and multiplies what we give to one another.

Key verse - "16 Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, He gave thanks and broke them. Then He gave them to the disciples to distribute to the people. 17 They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over." Luke 9:16-17

Question -What does the Lord ask of us as He abundantly provides?

4. THE WIDOW'S OIL

The Lord calls us to bring our needs and what "little" we have to Him. He fills us as we empty ourselves for others. He is glorified, and we are blessed when we offer the "First Fruits" of our lives to Him.

Key verse - "5 She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring." 2 Kings 4:5b

Question - How does this concept comfort or challenge you?

5. MIRACULOUS FISH CATCH

Jesus first met His friends at their workplace and helped them in their frustration. After His death and resurrection, they were uncertain and afraid. They returned to fishing, the work they knew, and He appeared and helped them at the Sea of Galilee once again. This painting depicts the beginning and end of Jesus' ministry here on earth.

Key verse - "5 Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets." 6 When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break." Luke 5:5-6

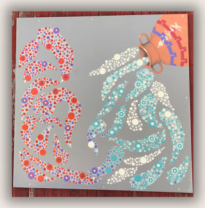
Question - What do you need God to provide for you in your daily work?

6. FOUNTAIN OF LIVING WATER

Whoever drinks from the fountain of living water will never thirst.

Key verse - "13 Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." John 4: 13-14

Question - What does this tell you about God?



7. JESUS CHANGES WATER INTO WINE

Changing water into wine confirmed Jesus as Messiah and pointed to the time to come when He would pour out His life on the cross.

Key verse - "11 What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which He revealed His glory; and His disciples believed in Him." John 2:11

Question - What signs or events in your life increase your faith?

All Biblical references are taken from the NIV translation

8. TREE OF LIFE

Believers look forward to eternity with the Lord. His presence will shine forever in the restored garden of Eden, His heavenly kingdom.

Key verse - "Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations." Revelation 22: 1-2

Question: Keeping in mind the images you've seen today, what similarities or differences do you note in this description of heaven?

9. MANNA AND QUAIL

The Lord rescued His people from slavery and destruction by the Egyptian army. He provided sweet nutritious food for them each day, yet they desired more.

Key verse - "12 "I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, 'At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.'" Exodus 16:12

Question - What does this tell you about the relationship between God and man?

10. PARABLE OF THE SOWER

Jesus used these four scenarios to illustrate the reception of His messages. Seeds can be planted on a dangerous path, in shallow rocky soil, among the thorns, or on fruitful soil.

Key verse - 20 Others, like seed sown on good soil, hear the word, accept it, and produce a crop—some thirty, some sixty, some a hundred times what was sown." Mark 4:20

Question - How can you increase the softness and depth of your heart to receive God's word?