

Children's Message, Epiphany 5, 2021 (Mark 1:29-39)

Parents, I'll try to enclose a children's message every week for those of you who don't feel comfortable attending in person. You can work through this in whatever way works for you. Some kids will need more guidance than others. There really aren't any wrong answers to the first 2 questions.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?

Would that superpower be more helpful to you or to other people?

What superpower do you think would help the most people?

Here's the setting for the gospel for February 7, 2021 (Mark 1:29-39)

Right after Jesus chose his disciples he visited the home of Simon and Andrew, the first 2 men he called. There he discovered that Simon's (Peter's) mother-in-law was very sick, stuck in bed. Jesus went to her and touched her hand, and she was instantly healed!

Everyone in the house was amazed, and word spread all through the village that Jesus had the power to heal diseases. That evening people came from all around, and everyone Jesus touched was healed, no matter what the disease or problem was.

The next morning, even though the villagers wanted Jesus to stay there, he told his disciples (his followers) he had to go to another place, because God had more work for him to do. Healing the sick was very important, but that wasn't really his superpower. His true superpower was saving people's hearts! That's why Jesus and his disciples went from place to place teaching everyone about God and God's love, to change their hearts so they could live their lives with God.

What superpower do you have that could show people God's love?