



Haratua 18 – Tāmihana Te Rauparaha

Mihimihi / Introduction 10 mins

Mihi

Sharing, catching up

Icebreaker ideas to get everyone into the mood

Pānui / Reading 5min

Luke 24: 44-48

Ruka 24: 44-48

Activity 20mins

- Ōu ake raruraru me tō rangimarie
 - Ākonahia te Waiata: *Peace I Leave You*
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Conclusion Evaluation 5mins

What did we learn? Positives, negatives, suggestions for next week?

Feedback from tamariki/whanau

Resources needed:

Bible

A4 Paper

Pens/ pencils

Device to learn and play song

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Readings:

Luke 24: 44-48

Today's reading comes from the book of Luke, chapter 24, beginning at verse 44

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."

⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.

Ruka 24: 44-48

Ka timata te panui kei te pukapuka o Ruka, te 24 o ngā upoko, ki te whiti 44

⁵⁹ I mea anō ia ki a rātou, "Ko ngā kupu ēnei i kōrero ai ahau ki a koutou, i ahau anō i a koutou, me whakarite ngā mea katoa kua oti te tuhituhi i roto i te ture a Mohi, i ngā poropiti, i ngā waiata, mōku."

⁴⁵ Kātahi ia ka whakamakoha i ō rātou hinengaro, kia mātau ai ki ngā karaipiture, ⁴⁶ ka mea ki a rātou, "Ko te mea tēnei i tuhituhia: ko te tikanga anō tēnei, ko te Karaiti kia whakamamaetia, kia ara anō i te hunga mate i te toru o ngā rā; ⁴⁷ kia kauwhautia hoki te rīpenetā me te murunga hara i runga i tōna ingoa ki ngā tauwiwi katoa; ki Hiruhārama timata ai. ⁴⁸ Nā, ko koutou hei kaiwhakaatu mō ēnei mea.



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The story of Tāmihana Te Rauparaha, Ngāti Toa Rangatira, is one about making peace even with your enemies. Sometimes it can be a challenge to make peace with people that you have fought in the past. It is only God who can give us the strength and the courage to share the good news of the Gospel of love and peace, the Gospel of repentance and forgiveness of sins.

Saying sorry is not always easy. It can mean that you need to be humble. We forgive others not because they deserve it. But because we can not love if we are living in bitterness and resentment. We can not love if we are wanting to take revenge.

Jesus Christ has commanded us to love God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength. He has also commanded us to love our neighbours, those that we come across in our lives. This includes our enemies.

Tāmihana believed that God was calling him to share the Gospel with his tribe's enemies, Ngāi Tahu, in the South Island (Te Waipounamu). It was not surprising that some of Tāmihana's own iwi were against him going on this journey. Yet Tāmihana believed that God was calling him to love his enemies. He was called to go among his enemies to sow the seeds of love and peace including repentance and forgiveness of sins in spite of Ngāi Tahu suspicions. He heard God's call and he was willing to obey it. God gave him the strength and the courage to do this. He had to step out in faith, putting his trust in God. The result was peace between the two tribes - Ngāti Toa and Ngāi Tahu.

Prayer: God, give me the strength and the courage to be a peacemaker. Amen



Korero about Tāmihana Te Rauparaha

Tāmihana Te Rauparaha was the son of the well-known Ngāti Toa Rangatira chief, Te Rauparaha. Tāmihana was his baptismal name. His original name was Katu. As a young chief, he was unhappy about warfare and wanted to end tribal fighting. When the Gospel of Luke arrived on the Kāpiti Coast, Tāmihana was touched by the messages of love and peace including the repentance and forgiveness of sins. He heard for the first time of the commandment to love his enemies.

In 1839 Tāmihana, together with his cousin, Mātene Te Whiwhi, travelled to the Bay of Islands to ask for a missionary. It was Octavius Hadfield who chose to come to the Kāpiti Coast. Tāmihana and Mātene became trusted teachers of Octavius. About two years after their baptism, both young chiefs set off to take the Gospel to their former enemies, Ngāi Tahu, who lived in the South Island (Te Waipounamu). Some of Ngāti Toa Rangatira were not in favour of this Gospel journey among their enemies. Ngāi Tahu were suspicious of Tāmihana's motives. Was Te Rauparaha planning to come and attack them again? But Tāmihana said:

“He will not come for I have come here to end warfare, and to bring peace through the Gospel, the good news of Jesus Christ.”

It took strength and courage for Tāmihana to take the Gospel of love and peace among people who were his enemies.

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Activity

Ōu ake raruraru me tō rangimarie

Hand out A4 paper. Fold the paper in half and draw a line down the middle.

- On the left side, write the heading **Raruraru / Troubles**
- On the right side, write the heading **Rangimārie / Peace**

Ask tamariki to write or draw picture of things that cause **troubles** for them on the left, and things that cause **peace** for them on the right.

See if tamariki can draw some connections between the two sides of paper. Maybe there are some things that help settle the tamaiti during certain troubles?

Waiata

The waiata below is a taize waiata where you chant the same lines over and over again as much as you like. You can learn the song below, or translate into Te Reo Māori and learn to chant it in Te Reo.

[HERE](#) is a the youtube link for the chant

My peace I leave you
My peace I give you
Trouble not your hearts
My peace I leave you
My peace I give you
Be not afraid

The words are from John 14: 27. The translation in the Māori Bible is:

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[HERE](#) is a soundbyte:

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You can find the song snippets/ soundbytes by clicking on the App Icons