



Wiki 8 – Hakihea / December 11

Kaupapa: Te Haerenga Mai #3 – Te Hari / Joy

**Mihimihi /
Introduction**
10 mins

Mihi – Kia ora everybody, mihi to new tamariki

Icebreaker ideas – e 2 ngā korero tika, 1 te korero teka

**Pānui /
Reading**
5min

Matiu 11: 2-11

Matthew 11: 2-11

Rārangi o te rā

ka mea ki a ia, “Ko koe rānei tēnei e haere mai nei, me tatari rānei tātou ki tētahi atu?”
Matiu 11: 3

and said to him, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?’
Matthew 11: 3

Kupu o te rā

Poropiti

Prophet

Activity
20mins

- Ko wai te Kaiwhakaora?

Waiata

Whakarite tōu ake waiata harihari

**Conclusion
Evaluation**
5mins

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

Feedback from tamariki/whanau

Resources needed:

Bible

Instruments if you want to write your own waiata

Paper/pens if you want to write your own waiata harihari





Pānui:

Matiu 11: 2-11

Ka timata te panui kei te pukapuka o Matiu, te 11 o ngā upoko, ki te whiti 2

² Nā, i te rongonga o Hoani i roto i te whare herehere ki ngā mahi a te Karaiti, ka tonoa e ia ētahi o āna ākongā, ³ ka mea ki a ia, “Ko koe rānei tēnei e haere mai nei, me tatari rānei tātou ki tētahi atu?”

⁴ Nā ka whakahoki a Īhu, ka mea ki a rāua, “Haere, kōrerotia ki a Hoani ngā mea e rongō nei, e kite nei kōrua: ⁵ ko ngā matapō e titiro ana, ko ngā kopa e hāereere ana, ko ngā repera e meinga ana kia mā, ko ngā turi e rongō ana, ko ngā tūpāpaku e whakaarahia ana, ā, e kauwhautia ana te rongopai ki te hunga rawakore. ⁶ Ā, ka koa te tangata e kore e hē ki ahau.”

⁷ Ā, i a rāua e haere atu ana, ka tīmata a Īhu, ka kōrerotia a Hoani ki te mano, “I haere koutou ki te koraha kia kite i te aha? I te kākaho e whakangāueuetia ana e te hau? ⁸ Anō ra, i haere koutou kia kite i te aha? I te tangata he kākahu māeneene ōna? Nā, kei ngā whare kīngi te hunga i ngā kākahu māeneene. ⁹ Anō ra, i haere koutou kia kite i te aha? I te poropiti? Āe rā, ko tāku kupu tēnei ki a koutou, tērā atu anō i te poropiti. ¹⁰ Ko ia hoki tēnei mōna te mea i tuhituhia:

‘Nā, ka tonoa e ahau tāku karere ki mua i tōu aroaro, māna e whakapai tōu ara ki mua i a koe.’

¹¹ He pono tāku e mea nei ki a koutou, kāhore anō i maea ake i roto i ngā whānau a te wahine he rahi ake i a Hoani Kaiiriiri; heoi, rahi ake i a ia te iti rawa i te rangatiratanga o te rangi.

Matthew 11: 2-11

Today’s reading comes from the book of Matthew, chapter 11, beginning at verse 2

² When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?’ ⁴ Jesus answered them, ‘Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. ⁶ And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.’

⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: ‘What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. ⁹ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is the one about whom it is written,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.”

¹¹ Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.





Reflection notes:

If you like, you can focus on **verses 2-6** today; the parts where John the Baptist is checking, ‘is it really Jesus, the son of God?’

This is interesting because when John was baptising Jesus, according to the Bible, the heavens opened up and the voice of God says, “this is my son, of whom I am well pleased”. And then John announces that Jesus is the one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit; the one he has been prophesizing about. But then... John gets arrested and is in prison. And while he’s in prison, he has some form of memory loss. Because here he is, sending his mates to go to Jesus to check that he’s really the son of God. Why is that? When he had already received a sign from God when he baptised Jesus?

John the Baptist was one of the biggest preachers about Jesus’ coming and even HE was still unsure when Jesus came along! He was Jesus’ cousin, whom he may have known growing up, but still there was doubt. Why do we doubt, even when we KNOW what we should be doing?

Tamariki do things like that all the time; why did you go the long way home when you KNOW you should have gone the short way? Why did you hit your sibling when you KNOW that you shouldn’t? Why do we say ‘don’t drink and drive’ and people STILL do it?

How do we uphold today’s theme, joy, when this reading is about doubt? How do you be happy when you are unsure? Maybe because of Jesus’ reply. He isn’t offended that even his cousin has doubt. He just says, “go and tell him what wonderful things I’ve done and tell him I don’t blame him for not being sure”. Let’s celebrate that Christ recognises our humanity and time and time again, we are forgiven. Let us celebrate in the joy that we are unconditionally loved and important that is for our ongoing journey in life.





Icebreaker

E 2 ngā korero tika, 1 te korero teka – 2 truths, 1 lie

The leader can start this game, you only need to do it a couple of times to settle everyone in.

The leader tells the tamariki,

“I will tell you 2 things that are true about me, and 1 lie, and you have to guess which is the lie”.

The leader then tells these 3 things, and the tamariki have a go at guessing which one is the lie. The leader could even ask the tamaiti WHY they think that particular one is the lie.

It's good to make up 3 very similar or 3 crazy stories, so that it is hard to tell the difference between them. It is good if all three phrases sound like something that the leader would do. This makes it harder.

You could then give the helper a turn, or 1 other tamaiti. Don't play this game too long, though, as it's only the warm up for the day! We can come back to it later if we have time





Pātai mō ngā tamariki

Let's go back to our game we played earlier. Have you ever been told something but you weren't sure whether to believe it?

How do you tell the truth vs. lies? (have a korero – body language, trusting people?)

What about telling the difference between fact vs. fiction? (you might have to explain these 2 words)

So much information that we can come across can be wrong

What was Jesus' proof that he was the son of God?

- Helped a blind man see
- Helped a deaf person to hear
- Helped a leper to walk
- Raised a dead person to life
- Brought good news from God

What a dramatic life!

Mary may have been like that when the angel came to visit her too. She could have been like, "are you SURE that God has found favour on me? Are you SURE that I am going to have this baby?"

Today we think about the things that we find joy in, and that we can be sure to find joy in. Here are some things for sure:

- Mary DID have that baby
- God DID find favour with Mary
- God DOES love you and I
- Your whanau DOES love you
- Add any other notes you'd like





Activity 1 – Ko wai te Kaiwhakaora? Who is the saviour?

This is a take on the circle murder game.

Everyone is to stand in a circle and to take on a pose like they are a zombie, or have a crooked leg, or someone who is not in the greatest state of health. Everyone is to close their eyes. The leader taps ONE tamaiti on the shoulder while eyes are closed to be the 'Kaiwhakaora'.

Everyone then opens their eyes

The Kaiwhakaora brings people back to health by blinking at them. When another child has been blinked at, they change their pose from a dying zombie looking thing, to a full standing, healthy person.

The aim of the game is to figure out who the Kaiwhakaora is. The task of the Kaiwhakaora is to bring people back to life without being caught!

When the Kaiwhakaora is caught, then you can play the game again, do activity 2, do the ice breaker again, the activity sheets, or whatever you have time for.

Activity 2 – Whakarite tōu ake waiata harihari

Make up your own song about having doubt in life, but joy in the Lord.

