



Jesus Walks on Water

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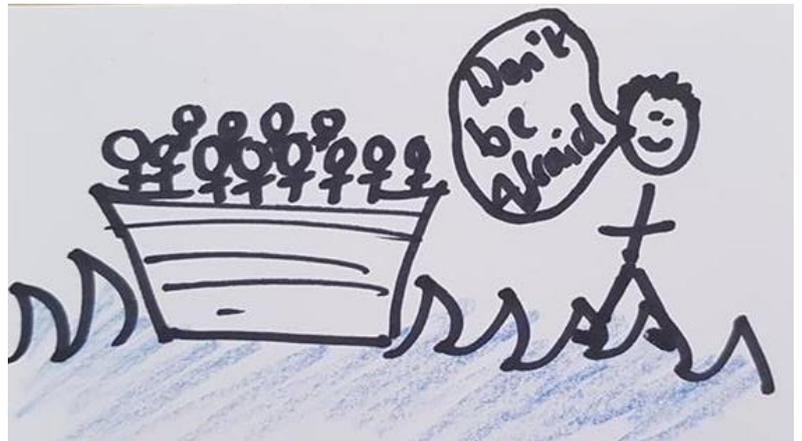
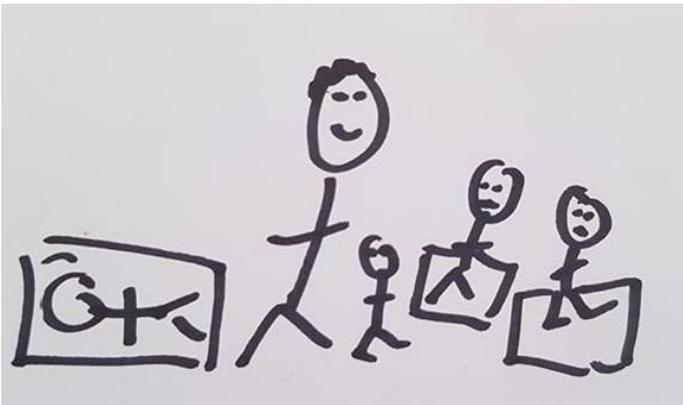
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⁴⁵ Then Jesus told his followers to get into the boat and go to Bethsaida on the other side of the lake. Jesus said that he would come later. He stayed there to tell the people they could go home. ⁴⁶ After sending them away, he went into the hills to pray.

⁴⁷ That night, the boat was in the middle of the lake. Jesus was alone on the land. ⁴⁸ He saw the followers working hard to row the boat because the wind was blowing against them. At some time between three and six o'clock in the morning, Jesus came to them, walking on the water. He continued walking until he was almost past the boat. ⁴⁹ But when his followers saw him walking on the water, they thought he was a ghost and cried out. ⁵⁰ They all saw him and were terrified. But Jesus spoke to them and said, "Have courage! It is I! Do not be afraid." ⁵¹ Then he got into the boat with them. And the wind became calm. The followers were greatly amazed. ⁵² They had seen Jesus make more bread from the five loaves. But they did not understand what it meant. Their minds were closed.

⁵³ When they had crossed the lake, they came to shore at Gennesaret. They tied the boat there. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, the people saw Jesus and immediately recognized him. ⁵⁵ They ran to tell others everywhere in that area that Jesus was there. They brought sick people on mats to every place Jesus went. ⁵⁶ Jesus went into towns and cities and farms around that area. And everywhere he went, the people brought the sick to the marketplaces. They begged him to let them just touch the edge of his coat. And all who touched him were healed.

Can you put these pictures from the bible story in order?

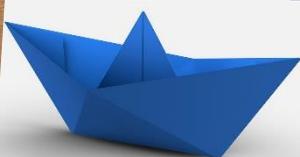
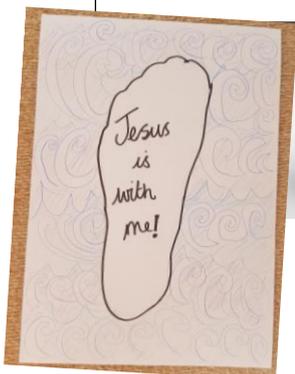


Talk about it

- What did Jesus do after all the people had gone?
- Where might you have some quiet time to talk to God?
- How did the disciples feel when they were in the storm?
- What did Jesus say to them?
- What does this tell us about times when we are scared?
- What had the disciples not understood? (hint; verse 52)
- Why did people bring the sick to Jesus?

Activities

- Draw around your foot and write on it Jesus is with me. Draw waves around the outside and colour it in.
- Make an origami boat. You will need a square piece of paper. Talk about how the disciples must have felt when they were on a boat in the middle of a storm and how they must have felt when Jesus spoke and the wind stopped. Click here for a video tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=981t1yRiGfc>
- Make a picture with Jesus walking on the water. You will need a lolly stick (or you can make a stick by tightly rolling a piece of paper up). Draw a picture of the sea and a boat on one piece of paper. Draw a picture of Jesus on another and cut it out (or print one and colour him in) then stick him to the lolly stick. Cut a slit through the paper and then slide Jesus through. Example: <https://youtu.be/6YgmqwqLUQk>
- Food activity: Make some jelly (blackcurrant or lime flavour to be like water) and then put a jelly baby on top to represent Jesus walking on water.
- Paint a rock with a scene from the story and hide it on a walk for someone else to find (if you don't have a rock to paint you can find some outside 63 Southwood Drive which you are welcome to take.) You could see if you can write Trinity Church somewhere on the rock.



Pray

Dear God,

Thank you for being with us in difficult times. Please help us to trust in you always.

Amen.

Space to write down any other prayers you have or people you want to pray for:



Whenever
I AM
afraid,
I
WILL TRUST
in
YOU.

Psalm 56:3

