

K-2nd



April 14-15, 2018

DATE

Peter walks on water

LESSON TITLE

Matthew 14:22-33

WHERE TO FIND IT

Jesus want us to follow him, even when we're afraid.

MAIN POINT

schedule

Connect Time (15 minutes): Five minutes after the service begins, split kids into groups and begin their activity.

Large Group (30 minutes): Begin 20 minutes after the service starts. Model what it looks like to be engaged in large group.

Small Group (15 minutes): Keep kids in small groups until parents arrive. If you all have extra time at the end, you can review the video and songs together.

tips

When kids first arrive, talk about bravery. Ask them what it means to be brave, or about times they have had to be brave.

check-in/out

Ask kids ???

large group heads up

This week is called "storm" because there is no avoiding trials in this life. But in today's story, we see that Jesus calls us to be brave because he can handle any "storm" we face! Pray for the Holy Spirit to help you communicate that to kids.



connect time

GOAL: *Connect Time is all about engaging kids in an activity that allows them to connect with each other right away, while simultaneously piquing their curiosity for Large Group and preparing their minds for what they're going to hear.*

SHARKS AND BOATS

- Keep kids in **one large group**.
- The goal of the game is for kids to “swim” from one end of the room to the other end without getting tagged by a **shark**. Here's how to play:
 - Choose two kids to be the **sharks**, and place them evenly throughout a large open space.
 - Line the rest of the kids up along one side of the room. Tell them to pretend **they're in a boat**, and they have to ride it across the sea (to the other side of the room) without getting tagged by a shark.
 - If they do get tagged by a shark, their boat “sinks”, and they become a shark.
 - Now, the rest of the kids will try to cross the room again, but this time, there will be more sharks trying to tag them!
 - Play until the last two kids are left without getting tagged! Then start over, and let those two kids be the sharks.
 - Depending on how much time you have, you can play this once, or play it multiple times.

Before you go to Large Group, you can ask kids how their week went. You can also remind kids of the expectations for Large Group behavior: (1) be kind, (2) listen when somebody speaks, and (3) follow the leader's instructions.

special notes

Check out today's new music video:

This Little Light:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIL2qGJiAqY>

presenter tips

Here's today's God's Story video:

God's Story / Peter Walks on Water:

<https://youtu.be/HG614fkB6wE>

script

WELCOME AND WORSHIP

Main Goal: Welcome kids and kick off the lesson with some fun, celebratory worship.

- **Welcome:** Hi everybody! Welcome to Kids' Club. It's great to see you here! Let's talk about that Connect Time game; What was your favorite part? (Let kids respond.) Who got to be sharks? (Let kids respond.) Who never got tagged? Good job!
- **Say:** Imagine if you were actually in the ocean, and you had to swim with real sharks! What would be going through your head? (Let kids respond.) Well I don't know about you, but I would be pretty scared, and doing everything I could to get OUT of that water!
- **Say:** Today we're going to talk about what it's like when you're facing something really scary, but Jesus wants you to follow him anyway. He might not be asking you to swim in an ocean full of sharks, but there will be other things!
- **Say:** Before we get to that, let's get started with some worship! You can spread out and get comfortable, or stand up and get ready to dance!
- **Music Video: You Are**
- **Say:** Last week we talked about a guy named Peter, and how he left *everything* behind—his home, his job, and his friends—all to go and follow Jesus. And now we're going to hear how Peter followed Jesus, even through a really scary event.

WE ALL GET SCARED!

- **Ask:** Raise your hand if you've experienced something scary. (Let kids respond.) Yep, me too. We ALL go through scary thing! Things that make us afraid or worried.
- **Say:** Let's guess what scary thing Peter went through in today's story. First, I'll read the choices, and then we'll all vote! (Read the following choices on the slide. For fun, have kids do a different funny motion when voting.)
- **Slide: Did Peter...**
 - a. **Go through a very painful disease**
 - b. **Get stuck in a huge storm in the middle of a sea**
 - c. **Almost get run over by a herd of donkeys**
- **Say:** Okay, if you think it was A, raise your hand. If you think it was B, raise your hand. If you think it was C, raise your hand. (Let kids respond to each choice.) And the winner is.....B! Peter got stuck in a storm on the sea!

PETER AND THE STORM

- **Say:** Let's check out a movie clip of a character who gets stuck out in the middle of the ocean, when a huge storm rolls in. As you watch, imagine what it would be like to go through this!
- **Video: Moana / Lost on the Ocean**
- **Say:** Has anyone ever been in a storm on the water? (Let kids respond.) Well, when it happened to Peter and the disciples, they were pretty worried. They were out in the middle of the Sea of Galilee, and there were HUGE waves and *really* strong winds.
- **Say:** What's even worse, is they didn't have a fancy boat with a motor and life jackets. They had a small, simple fishing boat, and it probably looked like this... **(Click to show image of a boat.)** Imagine riding in *that* during a storm!
- **Say:** We're going to watch a video now, and see what happened next. As you watch, pay attention to how Peter follows Jesus, even though through something scary.
- **Video: God's Story / Peter Walks on Water**
- **Ask:** Now that's an amazing story! Who can tell me what Peter did to follow Jesus? (Let kids respond.) Yep, he walked out to Jesus on the water. Think about that for a minute. He *WALKED. ON. WATER.*
- **Say:** He actually made the choice to get out of the boat, step into the raging, violent waves, and start *walking toward Jesus*. Peter believed that Jesus was powerful enough to do anything, even help HIM walk on water too!

PETER TRUSTED JESUS

- **Ask:** Who can remember what else happened in the story, *after* Peter was out on the water? (Let kids respond.) Yep, as soon as Peter stopped looking at Jesus and started looking at the waves instead, he got scared and started sinking. But Jesus didn't let him drown. He rescued Peter, just like he rescues us. Let's all yell, "Jesus rescues us!" (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Let's read what Jesus said when he was out on the water. This is from the book of Mark:
- **Slide: Matthew 14:27 But Jesus spoke to them at once. "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!"**
- **Say:** So why doesn't Peter, or WE, have to be afraid? (Let kids respond.) Yep, it's because Jesus is with us! We can be brave and have courage to follow Him, because he is always in control, and he will ALWAYS take care of us, no matter what we're going through.

**RESPONSE TIME AND
WORSHIP**

- **Say:** Think of one hard thing you'll probably have to do this week. It can be anything, like being kind to a sibling who annoys you, or sharing your food or toys when you don't feel like it. Think about that thing, and then think about how Jesus wants us to be brave. As we watch this next music video, if you want, you can tell Jesus you'd like to be brave and ask him to help you!
- **Music Video: This Little Light**
- **Pray:** *Invite a kid to come up and pray for the group, that Jesus would help us be brave, and follow him wherever he leads us.*



instructions

Goal: Kids will (1) recall Peter's bravery, (2) understand what bravery means, (3) recognize that Jesus calls and equips us all for bravery and (4) identify one way we can demonstrate bravery this week.

Why? It can be easy to avoid difficult situations. But it's important for kids to know that life is full of challenges, and that Jesus actually calls us to be brave.

Tip: If kids are fearful, encourage them with the words from the Bible verse or the words of Jesus in the story of Peter. You can find them in Matthew 14:22-33.

small group

GET TO KNOW KIDS

- Go around the group and have each kid say (1) their name and (2) one thing they're afraid of (spiders, heights, etc.)

RESPOND TO THE STORY

Set a **stack of 20 question cards in the middle of the group (with question mark face up).*

- If kids are old enough to read:
 - Let kids take turns drawing a card. If they get a card with a question on it, they read the question out loud, and answer it. *(If a kid gets a "True or False" question, make sure they say the correct answer if it's false.)*
 - If they get a non-question card, they have to do the funny action it says!
- If kids are not old enough to read (or not confident enough):
 - Lay the cards on the table, let kids pick one out, and read it for them. OR you can just read some of the cards yourself, and let kids race to answer or do the silly action first!
- Make sure to collect the question cards and return them for the next service.

PETER WALKS ON WATER (See images on next page*)

- Give each kid a **white piece of cardstock, a Peter image, a piece of wave border, and a popsicle stick**. Set out **markers, scissors, scotch tape, and stapler**.
- Let kids color and cut out their Peter image, then tape it to the top of the popsicle stick.
- Help the kids staple their "wave" along the bottom of the white paper, but **ONLY** staple on the ends. Then have them draw a thunderstorm on the paper with clouds, rain and lightning (and anything else they want!)
- Stick the Peter puppet up behind the waves, and make him move. It looks like he's walking on water! **(See craft pictures on next page.)**



Extra time? Have kids do a coloring sheet.



connect questions

Tell me about Peter.
How can we follow Jesus when facing scary things?

lesson supplies

Connect Time			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
No supplies needed.			

Large Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Adventure Bible for Early Readers	1 per large group, reused	BiblesbytheCase.com	site

Small Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Markers	1 set per small group, reused		site
Scotch Tape	2 rolls per small group, reused		site
Set of question cards	1 set per small group, reused	8.5x11 cardstock, black and white, cut into quarter pages, double sided, Pages 10-19 (K2 version different than 35 version))	site
White Cardstock	1 per kid	8.5x11 white cardstock	site
Peter image	1 per kid	8.5x11 cardstock, black and white, cut into quarter sheets, Page 20	site
Popsicle sticks	1 per kid	Discount School Supply, item #CRAF	KC National
Wave border	One 11 inch piece per kid	Amazon , *materials provided by KC National, pieces to be cut by Site's Prep Team	KC National
Stapler/staples	1 per small group, reused		site
Coloring page - Peter walks on water		Page 9	site

name



Tell me about Peter.

How was Peter brave?

Read more about this week's story in Matthew 14:22-33.

CrossroadsKidsClub.net

What did Peter do when he saw Jesus on the water?

Walk in a circle around your group and give every person a high five (as fast as you can!)

Read the verse while closing your nose with your fingers:

Matthew 14:27 But Jesus spoke to them at once. "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!"

What's the scariest thing you've ever done, or gone through?

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True or False?

Jesus said to the disciples, “ *Hide in the boat until the storm passes! It’s too scary to come out!*”

What’s the bravest thing you’ve ever seen someone else do?

What happened when Peter got scared on the water?

What’s your favorite part of today’s story?

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Read the verse while sticking your tongue out:

Matthew 14:27 But Jesus spoke to them at once. "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!"

Crabwalk across the room and back.

True or False?

The disciples worshipped Jesus and believed he was the Son of God after seeing him walk on water.

Spin in a circle 3 times while looking down, then try to walk in a straight line.

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Why did Peter sink in
the water?

Wear your shoes on
your hands for 10
seconds!

Read the verse in a
robot voice:

Matthew 14:27 But
Jesus spoke to them at
once. "Don't be afraid,"
he said. "Take courage.
I am here!"

Go give a high five to 5
people in OTHER small
groups, then come back.

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True or False?

Peter was able to walk
all on his own, with NO
help from Jesus.

If you saw Jesus
walking on water, what's
the first thought that
would pop in your head?

What is a miracle?

Would you rather...live
on a boat for the rest of
your life

OR

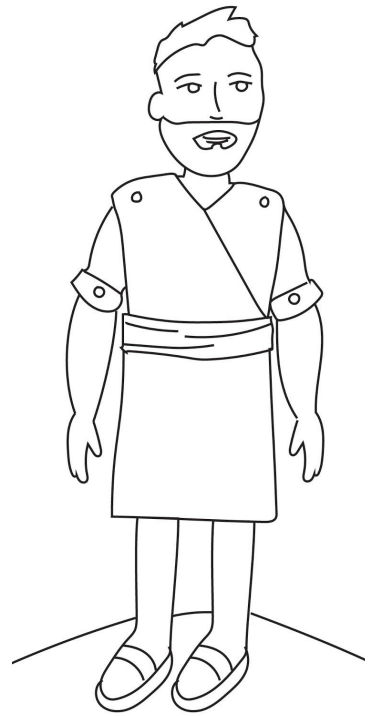
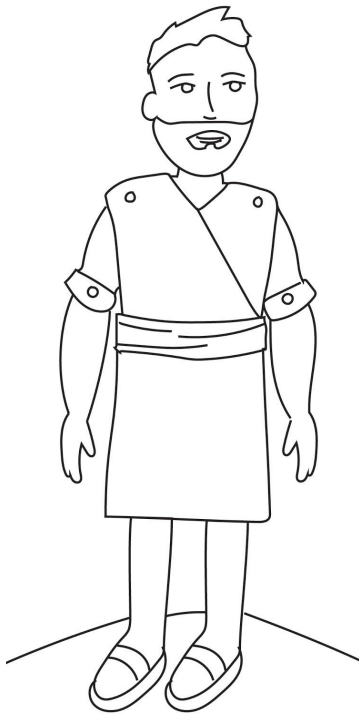
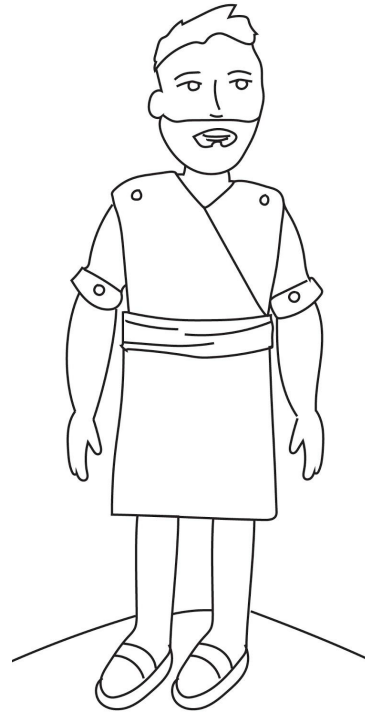
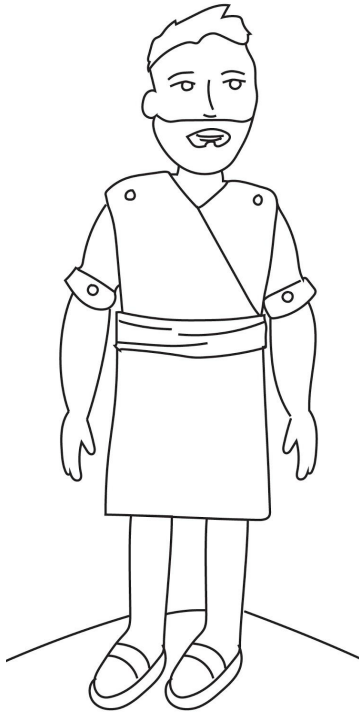
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every single week for
the rest of your life?

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A/V needs

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1. KC Logo Slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. Music Video: You Are (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2kf7f86EzTA>)
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5. Image: Boat
6. Video: God's Story / Peter Walks on Water (<https://youtu.be/HG6I4fkB6wE>)
7. Slide: Matthew 14:27 But Jesus spoke to them at once. "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!"
8. Music Video: This Little Light (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wIL2qGJiAqY>)