

Jesus Walks on Water

MATTHEW 14:22-33

This week's theme is **DOUBT**. Peter walked on water to Jesus! But a strong wind distracted him. He began to doubt—and to sink! Jesus grabbed his hand and pulled him back to the boat.

What Do You See?

The disciples saw Jesus walking on water. But their eyes couldn't believe it! Check out a book on optical illusions from your local library. Look at the pictures together. What do your eyes see? Does everyone see the same thing? Why do our eyes sometimes see things differently?

Walking on Water
Create a water path through your home by taping sheets of blue construction paper to the floor with painter's tape. Leave some space between the space between them. Try hopping or jumping too. Hold hands like Jesus held Peter's hand.

Question Quest

Together, write or draw questions you have about God or Jesus on index cards. Hide them around your home. Seek and find a question, read it together, and talk about possible responses. We can't know the answers to all our questions, but asking questions is an important part of faith!

Float! Sink? Float!

Peter started to sink, but Jesus pulled him up out of the water. Make a boat out of aluminum foil. Float it in the boat filled with water. Take turns placing pennies from the boat until it starts to sink. Then take a penny Jesus does for us.

Snacking and Storytelling

Fill cups with blue gelatin. Push two bear-shaped graham crackers for Jesus and Peter into each cup when set. Sit in a circle and choose a family member to start retelling Matthew 14:22-33 with one sentence. Take turns adding sentences as you enjoy a snack together.

Wash Water

All the strong wind blowing the water and causing him to doubt. How can you make a water move? Fill the sink with water. Take turns trying to make it move by blowing through a straw or waving with a paper towel tube. Take turns adding objects in your home.

Jesus with Me

Trace each other's footprints on poster board. Paint them with water colors. Let them dry. Cut them out. Use glitter glue with (Your name) "Jesus is always with me." Hang each footprint on that person's bedroom door as a reminder that we are never alone.

This week our family is praying for ...

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