



**URBAN
SAINTS**

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Children's Takeaway

Faith not Fear Session 4

Stepping out in faith

Story

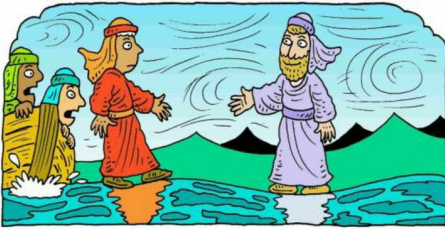


Walking on water

Jesus insisted that his disciples get back into the boat and cross to the other side of the lake, while he sent the people home. After sending them home, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. Night fell while he was there alone.

Meanwhile, the disciples were in trouble far away from land, for a strong wind had risen, and they were fighting heavy waves. About three o'clock in the morning Jesus came toward them, walking on the water. When the disciples saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. In their fear, they cried out, "It's a ghost!"

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



Then Peter called to him, "Lord, if it's really you, tell me to come to you, walking on the water."

"Yes, come," Jesus said. So Peter went over the side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw the strong wind and the waves, he was terrified and began to sink. "Save me, Lord!" he shouted. Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. "You have so little faith," Jesus said. "Why did you doubt me?"

When they climbed back into the boat, the wind stopped. Then the disciples worshiped him. "You really are the Son of God!" they exclaimed.

Matthew 14:22-33

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Questions to discuss



1. Why do you think Peter started to sink?
2. Have you ever had a problem and felt like you were sinking or just unable to handle it on your own?
3. Jesus is with us always, but we cannot see him. How can you take Jesus's hand?

I'm going to take (clap clap) a step of faith
I'm going to put my trust in the Lord
He has the power to carry me through
If I listen carefully He'll tell me what to do
I'm going to take (clap clap) a step of faith
And put my trust in the Lord



Sing

I'm going to take (clap clap) a step of faith
I'm going to put my trust in the Lord
He made a promise He loves me so
Wherever He might lead me He'll never let me go
I'm going to take (clap clap) a step of faith
And put my trust in the Lord

Story to colour

PETER walks on the water

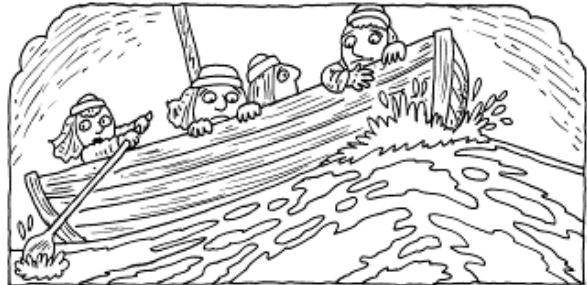
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Jesus sent his helpers and Peter across to the other side of the lake, in a boat. He was tired and he wanted to rest and pray. He had been talking to lots of people, all day.



Soon, the wind began to blow and the waves got bigger and bigger! Peter and his friends were getting scared. "If only Jesus was here," they said.



Then they saw someone coming towards them, walking on top of the water! No one could walk on water like that! Was it a ghost? They were scared.



Jesus called out, "Don't be scared, it is only me." Peter was surprised! "If it really is you, Jesus, then tell me to come to you on the water." He got out of the boat and began to walk to Jesus.



While he kept looking at Jesus he was safe. But when Peter looked at the stormy sea he was scared and began to sink down in the water. "Help me, Jesus," he cried!



Jesus reached out his hand and caught Peter. Even though the wind blew and the waves crashed around him, while he kept looking at Jesus, Peter was safe.



Together Jesus and Peter walked on top of the water, through the storm, right back to the boat. It was a miracle!



They got back into the boat and the storm stopped. Remember, that when you keep looking at Jesus you will be safe. Jesus will help you when you are scared, too.

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JESUS
PRAYING
ALONE
DISCIPLES
BOAT
TROUBLE
STRUGGLE
WIND
WAVES
WALKING
WATER
GHOST
TERRIFIED
CALM
MIRACLE
HEALING
SICK

Puzzle

Solve the code

Key to the code:

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Challenge

Helping others

In our story, Jesus helped Peter and the disciples. How can you help others?

Think of something kind you can do for someone else - for example you could make someone a cup of tea, make breakfast, play a game together, tidy your room, write a letter to cheer someone up, call someone to see how they are etc

Creative Prayer

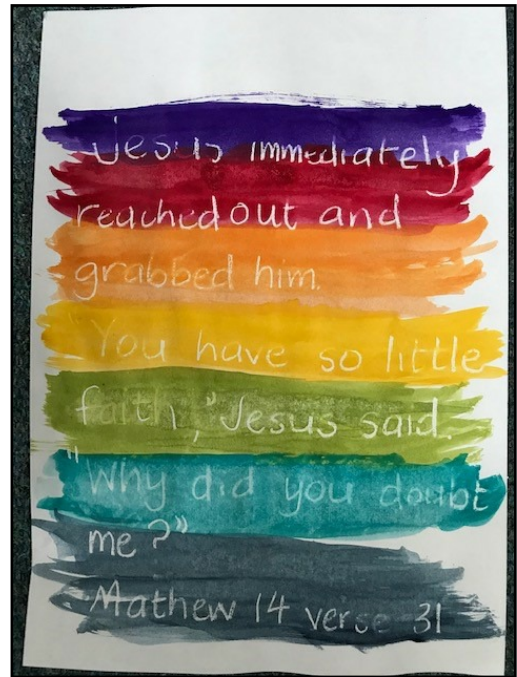
Invisible prayer

You will need:

- Paper
- White wax crayon
- Watercolour paint

Instructions:

- Write out this verse on the paper using the white wax crayon:
Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. "You have so little faith," Jesus said. "Why did you doubt me?"
Mathew 14 verse 31
- Faith is about trusting God. You can't see it, you can't hold it in your hands. It's invisible.
- We can't see God, but we can trust Him. We can have faith in Him.
- Now paint over the writing on the paper with thin watercolour paint, and see what happens!



Being brave

Peter was brave - he got out of the boat to walk on the water towards Jesus, but when he saw the wind he was afraid and began to sink. BUT Jesus immediately reached out his hand and they walked on the water and got back into the boat together.

We all need to be brave sometimes. We need courage to face difficult situations.

What do you need to be brave about?

- Draw the letter that starts your name and write or draw a hope, a wish or a prayer for courage on it.



Home Games



Trust games

Peter trusted Jesus - you can play these trust games

Feely box

You will need:

- A box with a hole or a cover over it or a draw-string bag
- Items to place inside (suggestions: ball, toy, stone, stick) - try to pick some natural and some man-made objects and objects with different textures, rough and smooth.

How to play:

Place all the objects in the bag / box

Take turns to feel inside the bag, pick an object and guess what it is before you remove it from the bag.

Blind tasting

You will need:

Suitable items for tasting! For example...

- Marmite
- Salt
- Sugar
- Salad cream
- Mayo
- Crisps of different flavours
- Or you could use different sweets!

A blindfold



How to play:

- Put the items on plates or in small dishes
- Put a blindfold on one person
- The other person gives a dish to the other to taste, see how many you can guess.
- Take turns, see who can get the most right

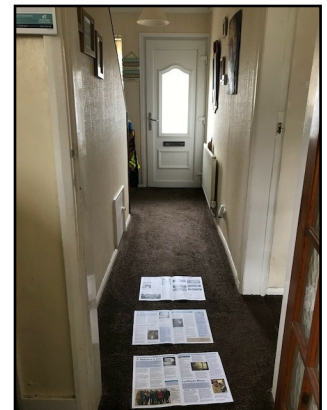
Stepping stones

You will need:

- A newspaper or magazine or individual pieces of paper enough for each person to stand on
- Or you could also draw around your feet (and write a prayer of thanks on each one)

How to play:

- Work together as a team to get from one end of the room/garden to the other
- Stand behind one another in a line stand on your piece of paper
- Pass the last persons paper down the line to the front
- The front person moves forward onto that piece
- Everyone moves up one place and stands on the paper
- Continue to pass the paper from the back to the front and move across the room or garden till you have all safely reached the other side.



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