

KIDTOWN GUIDE

3K - 4K

DATE: 8/16/20

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 14

LESSON: Jesus Walked on Water



INTRO

Parents say to your kid(s) - Have you ever been very afraid to do something and someone you trusted helped you with it? Today we will see how one of Jesus' disciples had to trust Him while doing something difficult!

Take a trust walk - Explain to your children that you are going to lead them on a "trust walk". Have one of them shut his/her eyes, or you may cover their eyes with a blindfold. Take the child's hand and carefully lead them around the room and back.

Parents say - *You had to trust me in order to go on a walk with me around the room. In today's Bible story, Peter had to trust Jesus in order to take a walk someplace special with Him.*



LESSON - JESUS WALKED ON WATER

Watch the Bible story video: [Jesus Walked On Water](#)

Story Point! (Kids repeat!)

Jesus walked on water and called Peter to walk to Him! (Kids repeat!)

When Jesus walked out to the disciples on top of the water, they couldn't believe it. They thought He was a ghost! Peter didn't believe it was Jesus and asked to walk out to Him. As long as Peter kept his eyes on Jesus, he wasn't afraid and could walk on water. As soon as He started looking at the scary wind, he started to sink. Can you think of a time when you were afraid? The more we focus on how much Jesus will take care of us, the less afraid we are because we know we can trust Him to care for us! When we start to think about our fears, they are sometimes all we can see!

Christ Connection! (Kids Repeat!)

Jesus showed us that we can trust Him! Kids Repeat!

Jesus showed that we can trust Him by calling Peter out on the water. Sometimes Jesus asks us to trust Him with things in our lives that may be very hard, but He will always be faithful to care for us. Jesus showed us again that He is the Son of God, the Messiah! When we look to Jesus and trust Him, He will save us from our biggest fears and give us peace and joy!



RESPONSE

Sing: [Good Good Father](#)
[Psalm 40:5](#) (Key Passage Song)

Discuss:

- What did Jesus tell Peter to do? (*Get out of the boat and walk to Him*)
- What happened when Peter looked at the wind instead of Jesus? (*He began to sink!*)
- Who rescued Peter? (*Jesus!*)

If you have any questions you are really stumped on, feel free to email us at hdisbrow@midtowncolumbia.com.

Pray - Thank you, Jesus that we can trust You always. Thank you for showing us how powerful you are by walking on water and showing us we can trust You!



BONUS ACTIVITIES

Coloring Sheet - [Printable Coloring Sheet](#)

Wave mural - Provide a large sheet of paper. Allow kids to trace a footprint on the paper. Provide markers, crayons, and other craft supplies to the kids to decorate the paper to look like waves. You may hang the mural in a hallway or on a focal wall for kids to look at and remember this story.

Parents say - Jesus showed He is God by walking on water. When you remember this story, remember that when God calls you to take a step of faith, you can trust Him no matter what happens next. You probably won't ever walk on water, but there are many other difficult things—maybe even things that feel impossible—that God might ask you to do. Everything God does is for His glory and our good. When we take steps of faith to obey God, we can trust that He will use us in His wonderful plans.

