

Peter Walks on Water

"Let us fix our eyes upon Jesus
the author and perfecter of our faith".

Hebrews 12:2

One day something happened which reminded him how important it is to keep our eyes on Jesus. The disciples had just seen Jesus feed 5,000 men, women and children as well, with just five loaves and two fishes. How amazing was that! They must have been feeling really good. Jesus then sent the disciples ahead in their boat while He said goodbye to the people and then went into the hills to pray.

So... what happened next?

It started to get dark and the disciples were still in the boat.

Suddenly... the disciples saw someone walking on the water. They were afraid, they thought it was a ghost!

Who do you think it was?

You can find the answer in *Matthew 14:27*



Yes, that's right it was Jesus! "Don't be afraid." He said.

Then Peter said that if it was really Jesus He could tell him to come.
"Come." Said Jesus.

And..... he did, he actually got out of the boat, **looked at Jesus** and started walking towards him.

But..... then he **looked at the wind and the waves** around him and he started to sink.

But..... Jesus reached out his hand and saved Him. Peter **looked back at Jesus**

Once they were all back in the boat and the wind and waves became calm, the disciples worshipped Jesus as they realised that he was the Son of God.

At this time of Coronavirus and Lockdown and at any time of difficulties, we are often a bit like Peter. Sometimes things are ok and we carry on Praising God and looking to Him, fixing our eyes on Him, but then along come some 'wind and waves' and we get worried or anxious and take our eyes off Jesus. **But** Jesus is always there to take our hand and bring us through the 'wind and waves' and then like Peter we can fix our eyes back on Jesus and remember, like the disciples, that Jesus is the Son of God.

Prayer

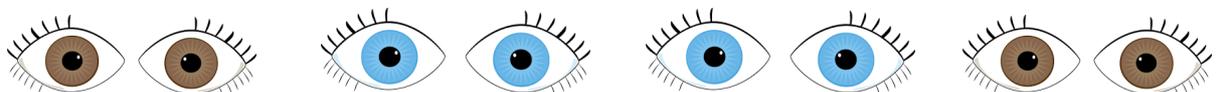
Thank you Jesus that you are our faithful friend and
that you love us so much.

Thank you Jesus that you are always there for us
no matter what happens.

Thank you Jesus that you are always ready to reach out
and take our hand and help us.

Help us to keep our eyes fixed on you.

Amen



I learned a song many years ago that I often remember because the words are a really helpful reminder that we need to fix our eyes on Jesus our 'Faithful Friend'. Here are the words.

*When the road is rough and steep
Fix your eyes upon Jesus
He alone has power to keep
Fix your eyes upon him.
Jesus is a faithful friend
One on whom you can depend
He is faithful to the end
Fix your eyes upon Him!*

This is a link to a you tube video of The N Crew playing the song 'Fix your eyes upon Jesus'.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6gbvZWCS_uo

Links for the story of Peter Walking on the Water

<http://www.freebibleimages.org/illustrations/ls-peter-water/> Powerpoint pictures and story

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oVy9HGr3Qig>

Stories of the bible (3mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K2t3-S6eSUU>

Teaching Kids about the bible (3mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HG6I4fkB6wE>

God's Story - Crossroads Kids club (3mins)

Link for mini book

<http://gospelhall.org/index.php/component/search/?searchword=Peter%20walks%20on%20water&searchphrase=all&Itemid=435>

Mini book to make and colour - open link and then download by clicking on:

1. [Sunday School Lesson Activity 606 Peter Walks on Water](#)

P.S. You can now access all the resources on the ATM website including Jonny and Alli's Kingdom Kids Praise Party. Hope you enjoy these.

<http://anerleyteamministry.org.uk/resources/>

Jesus Walked on Water Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle. The words can be right to left, up and down, or diagonally.

V R L T D R E J I S P P Y N M
Q S K U B I R Z M A Z R P T I
D E N K J U S C W A Z A W S R
W A L K E D O C Y M O Y T T A
W T N S W V E D I K F Q Q S C
J A D N W I N D G P N O O C L
O S V O K X Z C Y A L S Y O E
D U U E C N X R U F A E D D S
L V F X S O S K D H F X S E V
K M A O J K B O A T R M M J A
E U I C E G R C B O A N X F R
I I T P E T E R U A I Z M M P
S N H S K C F G E T D A D B C
C O F T N S H D W E I K I B Q
F R W A T E R B Z G D O U B T

AFRAID
FAITH
WALKED

BOAT
MIRACLES
WATER

DISCIPLES
PETER
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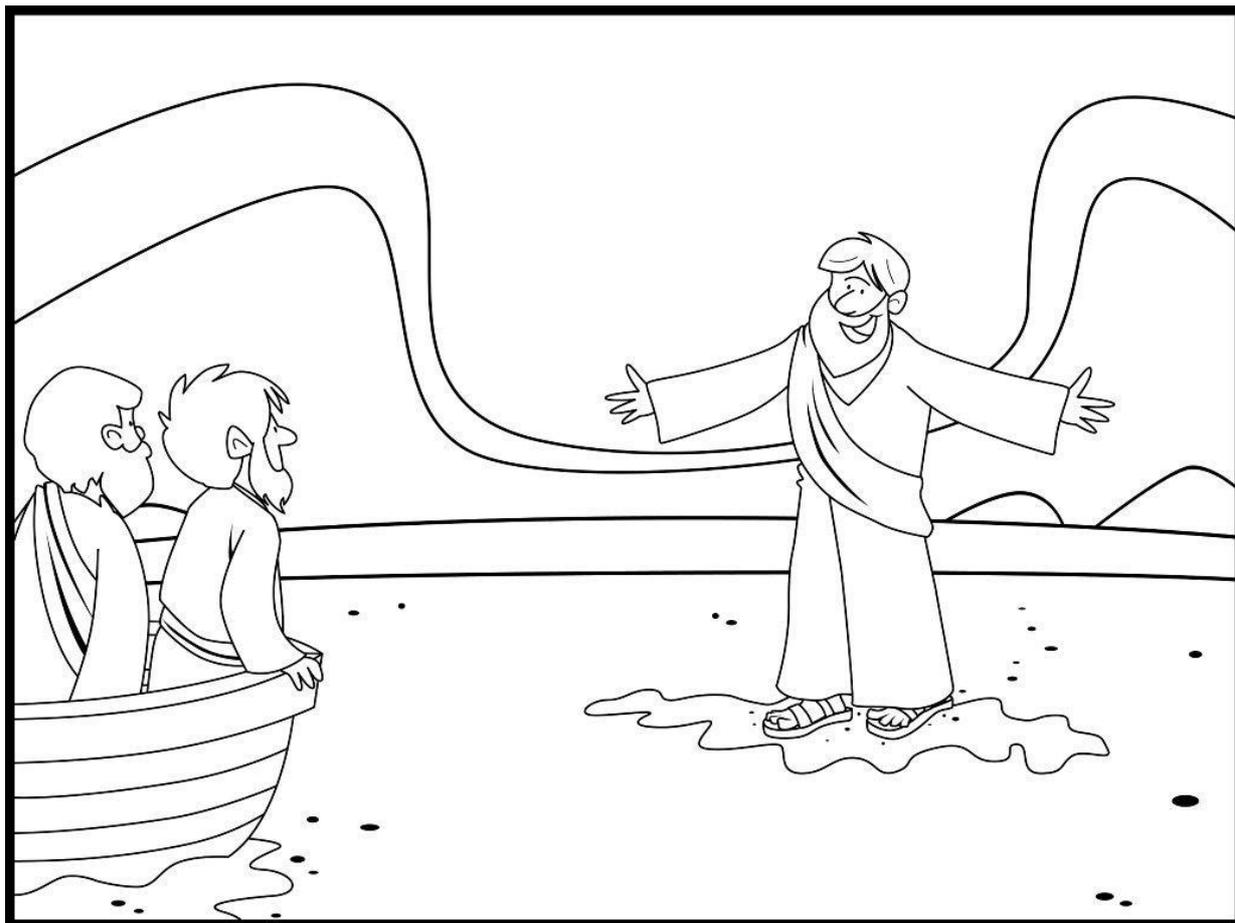
DOUBT
PRAY
WIND



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<https://ministry-to-children.com/lesson-jesus-walks-on-water/>

- You can also download a [coloring page of Jesus walking on water](#).