



Matthew 14:29b-30 (NIV) “Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

Jesus and Peter walk on the water

We begin just after last week’s story about feeding five thousand people. Jesus sends his disciples across the Sea of Galilee while he stays behind to dismiss the crowd.

Then Jesus goes up onto a mountainside to pray alone. The disciples are on a boat all night and it gets very windy.

Early in the morning, just as the sun is about to come up, the disciples see Jesus walking across the waves to their boat. Jesus is walking on the water! At first, they don’t even believe it is Jesus. They think it is a ghost walking toward their boat.

Jesus said, “It is I. Don’t be afraid.”

And this is where the Gospel of Matthew tells us that Peter calls out to Jesus. Peter says:

“Lord, if it’s you, tell me to come to you on the water.”

“Come,” he says.

Then Peter gets down out of the boat, walks on the water, and comes toward Jesus.

So now Jesus and Peter are both walking on the water. But when Peter feels the strong wind, he is afraid and begins to sink. He cries out, “Lord, save me!”. Immediately Jesus reaches out his hand and catches him.

“You of little faith,” he says, “why did you doubt?”

And when they climb into the boat, the wind calms down. And those who are in the boat worship him, saying “Truly you are the Son of God.”

This story reminds us that when we have faith, Jesus can help us do things that seem impossible, like He helped Peter walk on the water. Even when it feels dark and stormy, Jesus comes to us and reaches out for us to walk with Him.

Peter Walks on the Water

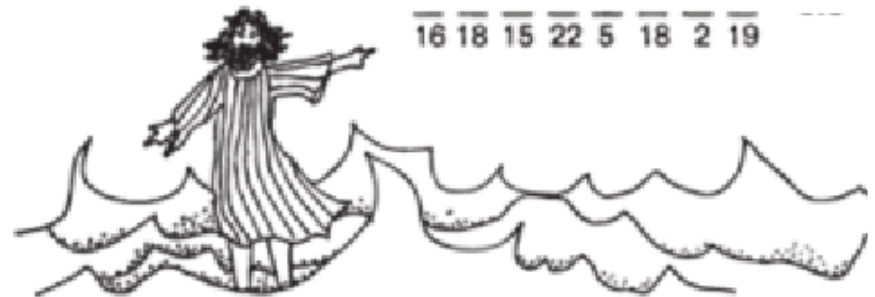
Matthew 14:22-33

Read the Scripture passage.

Peter trusted Jesus and the Lord took care of him.

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