

Learning Competency:

And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Matthew 14:28-33



Activity 1: How much do you trust God in your life?

Instruction: Encircle the correct picture based on the scripture stated above.

Jesus Walks on Water

1. What did Jesus do while He was alone on the mountain?

2. Where were the Disciples?

3. What was the weather on the water?

4. How did Jesus get to the boat?

5. Who tried to walk on the water to Jesus?

John

Angel

Peter

1. *Peace Is Not Found In The Absence Of The Storm, But In The Presence Of Jesus*

When Jesus bid Peter to come to him he didn't calm the storm. Rather, he invited Peter out into the storm, into the rough seas. The rebuke of Peter's lack of faith was because he took his eyes off Jesus and instead focused on the storm.

We think peace is found when the waves of life are calm. But Jesus never promised us smooth sailing. Instead he promised to always be with us. Peace is found in the presence of Jesus, even in the middle of a storm.

Peter's walk on the water teaches us that in the middle of storms we can have peace if we keep our eyes on Jesus. The storms of life give us good reason to be afraid. But Jesus is bigger than even the scariest of storms.

2. *Faith Requires Stepping Out Of The Boat*

We like comfort. We like safety. And that's not all a bad thing. But we often over inflate our desire for these things. Sometimes Jesus is going to ask you to take a risk and trust him. Sometimes, you have to step out of the boat.

Just like the apostle Peter, sometimes we will step out of the boat and then be overcome by fear. We will sink. But Jesus is right there to catch you. You might stumble, but you won't drown.

So, step out of the boat.

3. *Without Jesus You Will Sink*

Peter's walk on the water was short lived. It was short lived because he took his eyes off Jesus. Peter learned an important lesson that day that we shouldn't ignore. When we take our eyes off Jesus the storms of life will quickly overcome us.

Life is full of storms. Big storms. Storms that will destroy. Unless you keep your eyes on Jesus. With Jesus you cannot only endure, you can walk on water above the storm. Keep your eyes on Jesus.

4. *Worship Is Our Response*

The most important lesson from the Peter walks on water story is our response to the power of Jesus. It's worship.

When we encounter Jesus we should worship him. Matthew intentionally highlights this moment because that's the point. This story wasn't about Peter and his faith, or lack thereof. Ultimately it was about the power of Jesus.

Our response to Jesus Christ should be the same as the disciples. When we encounter him it should bring us to a place of worship. It should remind us of who we are and who he is.

5. *When You Follow Jesus He Will Do Incredible Things Through You*

I'm convinced God wants to tell an incredible story through your life. He wants to do things in you and through you that you can't even imagine. God has walk on water moments for you.



LET'S DIG IN!

- On two separate occasions, the disciples of Jesus were overcome with fear when their boat was caught in a storm on the very lake they called home; and in both instances, Jesus came to their rescue. In one story, found in Matthew 14:28-33, Mark 6:45-52, and John 6:16-24, not only did the Twelve witness the supernatural power of Jesus Christ as he walked on water to meet them, that night, one of their own stepped out of the boat to walk with Jesus on the waves. I'm referring, of course, to Peter, who became one of just two humans in history to actually walk on water.

**Here Are 8 Lessons from the Story of how
Peter Walks on Water**

1. Look for Jesus and keep looking to Jesus. Although a storm surrounded Him, Peter looked to Jesus. The only problem was that he stopped looking at Jesus. The principle is clear: especially when life is a tumultuous storm, look for Jesus and keep looking to Jesus.
2. When Jesus commands you, obey Him. Jesus told Peter to "come" to Him on the water. Even though it made no sense, Peter did what Jesus said.
This is what obedience looks like—doing what Jesus says.
3. Faith is simply taking the next step. Peter took one step to get out of the boat and onto the water. Peter was doing just fine when he was focused on the next step, and got into trouble when he lost sight of his next step.
4. Peter did not experience the supernatural power of God that allowed him to walk on water until he trusted as evidenced by his actions.
5. Fear will sink you. When Peter had faith, he walked on water. When he had fear, he sank in the water. The same is true for you. Fear will sink you.
6. Jesus saves you from many things. Jesus not only saved Peter from hell, but on this occasion Jesus saved Peter from drowning.
7. A little faith is better than no faith. The Lord Jesus spoke of Peter's "little faith". This means that he was capable of even greater sustained faith. But, the guys in the boat apparently had no faith.
8. You can choose to worry or worship. In an instant, the men went from worrying about their circumstances to worshipping their Christ.

WORDS TO PONDER

1. **Making room for God:** Jesus sent the disciples away so that he could go alone to the mountainside and pray. Even with his busy schedule, Jesus made spending time with God a top priority. The story reminds Christians of the importance of setting aside room for God.
2. **Recognizing the Lord:** Even though the disciples had been with Jesus for a long time, they didn't recognize him as he approached in the storm. The story reminds Christians that they may not recognize the Lord when he comes to them in the middle of their own personal storms.
3. **Keeping focused on Jesus:** Peter did not begin to sink until he started looking around at the wind and the waves. For Christians, the lesson is that when they take their eyes off of Jesus and focus on their difficult circumstances, they begin to sink under the weight of their problems. If we cry out to Jesus in faith, he will catch us by the hand and raise us above seemingly impossible surroundings.
4. **Restoring faith after a lapse:** When he left the boat, Peter started out with good intentions, but his faith faltered. Nevertheless, Peter's leap of faith did not end in failure. Even in his fear, he cried out to the Lord, knowing that Jesus was the only one who could help him. Peter's experience reminds Christians that a lapse of faith is merely a lapse and that the Lord is still there for believers when they call for him.
5. **Weathering the storm with Jesus:** When Jesus climbed into the boat, the storm ceased. Believers can rest assured that when they have Jesus in their boat, he will calm the stormy waters of life.

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Assessment:

True or False: Write **TRUE** if the statement is correct and **FALSE** if it is wrong. Write your answer on the space provided.


- _____ 1. Look for Jesus and keep looking to Jesus.
- _____ 2. Faith unleashes the supernatural.
- _____ 3. Fear will sink you.
- _____ 4. A little faith is better than no faith.
- _____ 5. You can choose to worry or worship.

II. Enumeration: Give what is being asked. Write your answer to the space provided. (5 pts. each)

1. Is there any fear that is gripping and controlling your decision making?

2. What things has Jesus saved you from?

Jesus walks on water



Disciples

Boat

Crowds

Mountain

Pray

Wind

Night

Walking

Ghost

Afraid

Peter

Water


Jesus

Hand

Faith

Make all the words fit into this crossword

'Lord,' he cried, 'save me!'



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wrap-up

Encircle the word/s which of our core values you can possibly apply our topic?

- A. COMMITMENT
- B. ACCOUNTABILITY
- C. RESILIENCE
- D. EXCELLENCE
- E. STEWARDSHIP



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