



Resource Pack

Children's ministry resources & activities for groups & families exploring this week's theme.

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WEEK 6

Walking on Water

The Gospel of John / John 6:16-21

OVERVIEW

GATHER

READ

CHAT

DO

PRAY



SO THAT YOU MIGHT **BELIEVE**

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN



Walking on Water

John 6:16-21



HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

This resource has been written and produced by St Bart's Kids and we're delighted to be able to share this curriculum with you. We pray that it would be an amazing tool to aid teaching and learning occurring either at home or within your children's ministry setting.

This package is part of a series based on **the Gospel of John**. The items within this package all pertain to **one session**.

The tabs on this document will help guide the main sections that should be incorporated within a session. Within each section you will find modifications for different age/learning levels - look for the tags Early Childhood, Lower Primary, Middle Primary, and Upper Primary.

All of the items within
If you have any questions or would like to know more about St Bart's Kids resources, please contact hello@stbartskids.org

TIMING

Welcome and play	15mins
Teaching Time (includes morning tea for Early Childhood)	15mins
Game (Kindy - Year 6 only)	10mins
Small Groups/Activities	20mins
Worship	10mins
Check-out	

MATERIALS

- Large container
- Different blue items, eg pom poms, cut up cellophane or tissue paper, etc
- Toy boats, sea creatures
- Toy Jesus and Disciples
- Wooden Boat
- A collection of picture books or children's Bibles
- Choose stories that focus on Jesus' miracles
- Coloured Pencils / Crayons
- Clipboard if needed
- Printout of colouring sheet
- Large container of water
- Water toys, containers, funnels and other objects that can be used in water
- Toy Boat
- Toy People
- Large container/sensory table/sandpit shell filled with water
- Different objects, eg straws, corks, patty pans, rope, ribbon, plastic lid, pegs, feather, rocks, pipecleaner, sponge, paddlepop stick, pasta, etc.
- Chalk line/cement line
- Decks of cards (can use regular cards or Bible cards/SBK specific cards such as 'Gospel of Mark' cards)
- Bibles
- Printout Worksheet #1 - Bible
- Directory Bookmarks
- Mini Beanbags
- Paper cut out fish
- Guest Speaker
- Pencils
- Clipboards
- Printout Middle East Worksheet
- Carpet square mats
- Cones

ADDITIONAL INFO

This resource is the sixth in a twelve week series based on the Gospel of John.

SESSION OUTLINE

SERIES

The Gospel of John

BIBLE FOCUS

John 6:16-21

TOPIC

Walking on Water

WEEK

6

OVERVIEW

THIS WEEK'S FOCUS

Jesus is always with us and has power over everything, so we don't need to be afraid.

SERIES OVERVIEW

The Gospel of John is unique in the New Testament. Where the Gospel of Mark begins with Jesus' launch into ministry, Luke opens with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth, and Matthew commences with a summary of Jesus' genealogy, John transports us much further back: to the very beginning! In the beginning was the Word!

Right from the opening words of John, he not only shows us the supremacy and glory of Jesus, but he calls us to recognise and respond to Jesus. John's intent is not only to provide a faithful account of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection, but so that this news would cause a change in us. That we would believe that Jesus is the Messiah and Son of God. The purpose of John's Gospel—as Don Carson put it—is to make us believers.

MULTIMEDIA

1. [SBK Kids Talk](#)
2. [John 6: Jesus Walks On Water](#)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Here are some resources we recommend for helping teach the Gospel to kids.

1. [The Book of John in Song for Kids](#)
2. [God's Story: John](#)

SONGS

EARLY CHILDHOOD

1. [I Won't Be Afraid](#)
2. [God is Good](#)
3. [Won't Worry 'Bout A Thing](#)

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PRIMARY

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TEACHING TIME

Walking on Water

You might choose to tell the story by involving the children in its actions and emotions: rowing the boat, being tossed by the storm., being afraid, welcoming Jesus.

After the miracle of feeding 5000 people, some people wanted to make Jesus king. But he deliberately went away to be alone to pray to his Father

The disciples made their own plans. They decided to take a boat across the Sea of Galilee to the town of Capernaum.

It was quite dark by the time they set off. That might not seem very sensible to us, but several of them - Peter, Andrew, James and John - were experienced fishermen. And they knew the Sea of Galilee well.

Bad weather was very common on this lake, and soon a storm started brewing. As it became worse, perhaps some of the disciples were becoming anxious.

Then suddenly the disciples saw Jesus coming towards them.

But he wasn't in a boat. He wasn't swimming. He was walking on the water. And he was walking towards them. This seemed impossible - and they were very frightened. But as Jesus came nearer, he said: *It is I! Don't be afraid.*

They invited Jesus into the boat - and then another remarkable thing happened. At the very moment Jesus was in the boat with them, the boat arrived *exactly* where the disciples had been trying to row to.

Just imagine you were the disciples: Jesus has healed people, fed a huge crowd from just a small lunch, and turned water into wine.

And now - another miracle! Jesus walked across water - in a storm - right to their boat. They are learning not only that Jesus is able to do things that no other human being can do, but also that when Jesus is with them, they don't have to be afraid.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Early Childhood

Why can we trust Jesus when we are afraid?

2. Lower Primary

Why can we trust Jesus when we are afraid?

3. Middle Primary

How does it help to know that Jesus is always with you?

4. Upper Primary

What can help us remember that Jesus is always with us in every situation?

FOCUS

Jesus is always with us and has power over everything, so we don't need to be afraid.

WARM-UPS

- Can you remember a time you were feeling anxious or afraid?
- Who came to your 'rescue'?

Early Childhood

Walking on Water



Just after sunset, Jesus' disciples went down to the Sea of Galilee.



There they got into a boat and headed across the lake toward Capernaum. By now it was dark, but Jesus wasn't with them.



A big storm came up, and the water became very rough.

Early Childhood



Suddenly they saw Jesus coming toward the boat. He was walking on the water! They were very scared.



But he said to them, "It's me. Don't be afraid."



Then Jesus came on board. Straight away they reached the shore where they were heading.

Lower Primary

Walking on Water



Ch6 Vs16 Just after sunset, Jesus' disciples went down to the Sea of Galilee.



17 There they got into a boat and headed across the lake toward Capernaum. By now it was dark, but Jesus wasn't with them.

Lower Primary



18 A big storm came up, and the water became very rough.



19 Suddenly they saw Jesus coming toward the boat. He was walking on the water! They were very scared.

Lower Primary



20 But he said to them, "It's me. Don't be afraid."



21 Then Jesus came on board. Straight away they reached the shore where they were heading.

Middle Primary

Walking on Water



Ch6 Vs16 Just after sunset, Jesus' disciples went down to the Sea of Galilee.



17 There they got into a boat and headed across the lake toward Capernaum. By now it was dark, but Jesus had not yet joined them.



18 A strong wind was blowing, and the water became very rough.

Middle Primary



19 When they had rowed about six kilometres they saw Jesus coming toward the boat. He was walking on the water! They were very scared.



20 But he said to them, "It is I. Don't be afraid."



21 Then Jesus came on board. Straight away they reached the shore where they were heading.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

[View SBK ebook John 6: 16-21](#)

- 1. Are there times when you are afraid? Who do you go to for help?**
In today's story, Jesus' disciples are afraid - until they know Jesus is with them. And it all started in a boat! At night time.
- 2. Who is 'missing' when they get on the boat?**
Jesus. (He is spending time alone so he can pray to his Father.)
- 3. If you had been in the boat, how would you have felt when the water started getting rough?**
It would have been scary.
- 4. Then the disciples see something that makes them even more afraid. What is it?** They see Jesus coming towards them across the waves - but he's not in a boat!
He's walking on the water - just as if it was grass.
- 5. What does Jesus say that makes them feel safe again.**
It's me: Jesus. Don't be afraid!
- 6. How do you think the disciples felt when they got out of the boat?**
Thankful, safe, amazed
- 7. Why can we trust Jesus when we are frightened?**
He loves us very much and is always with us. Because he is God, so he is able to help us.

When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid.'
John 6: 19-20

FOCUS

Jesus is always with us and has power over everything, so we don't need to be afraid.

Early Childhood

PRAYER

Dear God,
THANK YOU that you have power over everything, even the wind and the waves.
THANK YOU that you are with us when we feel scared.
HELP US to trust you and remember you are always near.
Amen

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read SBK Scripture - Lower Primary (John 6: 16-21)

- 1. What are the things that make us feel afraid? Who do you go to for help when you're frightened?**
In today's story, Jesus' disciples are afraid - until they know he is with them. And it all started in a boat!
- 2. What time of day was it when the disciples got into the boat to Capernaum?**
It was night time.
- 3. Who is 'missing' when they get on the boat?**
Jesus. (He is spending time alone so he can pray to his Father.)
- 4. If you had been in the boat, how would you have felt when the water started to get very rough?**
Worried? Frightened?
- 5. Then the disciples see something that makes them even more afraid. What is it?** They see Jesus coming towards them across the waves - but he's not in a boat! He's walking on the water - just as if it was grass.
- 6. What does Jesus say that makes them feel safe again.**
It's me: Jesus. Don't be afraid!
- 7. When Jesus gets into the boat, another amazing thing happens. What is it?**
Suddenly, the boat arrives exactly where they had been heading to. But no one was rowing it!
- 8. How do you think the disciples felt when they got out of the boat?**
Thankful, safe, amazed
- 9. Why can we trust Jesus when we are afraid?**
He loves us and wants to help us.
Because he is God, so he is able to help us.
He has promised to always be with his followers..

When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid.'
John 6: 19-20

FOCUS

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Lower Primary

PRAYER

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you that you are powerful over everything, even the wind and the waves.

Thank you that you promise to be with us, so we don't have to be afraid.

Please help us trust you when we feel scared or alone.

Amen.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read SBK Middle Primary Scripture (John 6:16-21)

- 1. The disciples have just been part of an amazing miracle when Jesus fed 5000 people - and now they are alone. What do they decide to do?**

To take a boat to Capernaum.

Imagine you are one of the disciples - perhaps Matthew or Philip - for questions 2-4.

- 2. Are there any things that would make you a bit nervous about this decision?**

It's night time; the lake has a reputation for bad storms; they could have waited for Jesus.

- 3. What would make you confident?**

Peter, Andrew, James and John are very experienced fishermen so they know the conditions.

- 4. How do you feel when the wind is getting stronger and the waves start to crash into the boat?**

Accept all responses - from fear to excitement.

- 5. Why do you think the disciples were afraid when they saw Jesus walking towards them - on the water?**

Possible answers: they had never seen anything like this before; perhaps they thought it was something else like a ghost; they were overwhelmed by his power.

- 6. Then Jesus says: *It is I. Don't be afraid.* How would that change everything?**

They are safe again.

- 7. How many new things have the disciples learned in this story?** Jesus is even more amazing than they had imagined! He is so powerful that he can walk on water - and in a *storm* at *night*! And somehow, when he is in the boat, it can move from one place to another without any assistance.

- 8. How is 'walking on water' another 'sign' that Jesus is God?**

This is not magic. Only God can do these things.

- 9. How will it help you this week to know that Jesus is with you in everything that happens?**

Whatever happens, God is there: when we are excited; when we are anxious; when things are going well or when things are going badly. when we make a new friend or when friendship is hard, when we are celebrating something good; when we are sad about something that didn't work out.

When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid.'

John 6: 19-20

FOCUS

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Middle Primary

PRAYER

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you that you are powerful over everything, even the wind and the waves.

Thank you that you promise to be with us, so we don't have to be afraid.

Please help us trust you when we feel scared or alone.

Amen.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read John 6: 16-21 in NIRV Bible

1. **The disciples have just been part of an amazing miracle when Jesus fed 5000 people - and now they are alone. What do they decide to do?**

To take a boat to Capernaum.

2. **Do you think this decision is wise or unwise?**

Unwise: it's night time; the Sea of Galilee has a reputation for bad storms; they could have waited for Jesus.

Wise: it's not a long distance; there are disciples with fishing experience who are used to fishing in this sea at night.

3. **How would you have felt when the wind is getting stronger and the waves start to crash into the boat?**

Accept all responses - from fear to excitement.

4. **Why do you think the disciples were afraid when they saw Jesus walking towards them - on the water?**

Possible answers: they had never seen anything like this before; perhaps they thought it was something else like a ghost; they were overwhelmed by his power.

5. **Then Jesus says: *It is I. Don't be afraid.* How would that change everything?**

They are safe again.

Some disciples might notice that when Jesus says: *It is I,* this is what God said to Moses when he rescues the people from Egypt: *I am who I am.* Jesus is God.

6. **How many new things have the disciples learned in this story?** Jesus is even more amazing than they had imagined! He is so powerful that he can walk on water

- and in a storm! And somehow, when he is in the boat, it moves from one place to another without any assistance.

7. **How is Jesus walking on water another 'signpost' that Jesus is God?**

This is not magic. Only God can do these things.

8. **How can we remember that Jesus is always with us in every situation?**

- Remind ourselves of times that he has helped us in the past.

- Share these stories together to encourage each other.

- Memorise the promise that God will never leave us: *Hebrews 13: 5-6.*

- Read the Bible (and christian biographies) to discover stories of how God has helped people.

- Always ask God for help when we are facing 'storms' in our life

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John 6: 19-20

FOCUS

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Upper Primary

PRAYER

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you that you are powerful over everything, even the wind and the waves.

Thank you that you promise to be with us, so we don't have to be afraid.

Please help us trust you when we feel scared or alone.

Amen.

FOCUS

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EARLY CHILDHOOD

Dear God,

THANK YOU that you have power over everything, even the wind and the waves.

THANK YOU that you are with us when we feel scared.

HELP US to trust you and remember you are always near.

Amen

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you that you are powerful over everything, even the wind and the waves.

Thank you that you promise to be with us, so we don't have to be afraid.

Please help us trust you when we feel scared or alone.

Amen.

TIPS

When you feel scared this week, remember, the same God who controlled the Red Sea and walked on water is with you.

You can pray: "Jesus, help me trust you. Thank you that you are with me."

Early Childhood

Dear God,

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THANK YOU that you are with us when we feel scared.

HELP US to trust you and remember you are always near.

Amen

Sunday School

Dear Lord Jesus,

Thank you that you are powerful over everything,
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Thank you that you promise to be with us, so we
don't have to be afraid.

Please help us trust you when we feel scared or
alone.

Amen.

FOCUS

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In this section, you'll find activities for Early Childhood and Primary School aged kids. There's a range of crafts, activities and games suitable for both individuals and groups.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

- Sensory Play
- Wooden Boat
- Storytime
- Colouring
- Water Play (Kindy)
- Will it Float? (Kindy)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Will it Float? (Prep)
- Go Fish (1-2)
- Bible Directory Bookmarks (3-4)
- Beanbag Toss (5-6)
- Q & A with Visiting Missionary (Prep-Yr 6)

GAMES

- Boat and Water (Kindy)
- Walking on Water (Prep-Yr 6)

Sensory Play

YOU'LL NEED...

- Large container
- Different blue items, eg pom poms, cut up cellophane or tissue paper, etc
- Toy boats, sea creatures
- Toy Jesus and Disciples

SERIES

The Gospel of John

BIBLE FOCUS

John 6:16-21

TOPIC

Walking on Water

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STEPS

1. Set up the sensory play by putting all the blue items in the large container as the water.
2. Add the boats, sea creatures and toy Jesus and the disciples.
3. Encourage the children to act out the story with the disciples in the boat and Jesus walking on the water towards them.



Link

Jesus has power over the water, even storms and waves obey him.

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STEPS

1. Let the children play in the boat, pretending to be the disciples.
2. Talk to the children about being in a storm and seeing Jesus walk on the water.



Link

Jesus performed another miracle by walking on water. Jesus has power over the everything, even storms and waves obey him.

YOU'LL NEED...

- Wooden Boat

Storytime

YOU'LL NEED...

- A collection of picture books or children's Bibles
- Choose stories that focus on Jesus' miracles

SERIES

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STEPS

1. Gather the children and read to them a selection of books.
2. Between each story, try and remind the children how the Bible is full of stories about Jesus' miracles.



Link

Jesus showed his power in many ways, so we can trust him with anything in our lives.

Colouring

YOU'LL NEED...

- Coloured Pencils / Crayons
- Clipboard if needed
- Printout of colouring sheet related to Jesus walking on water (We found one from Ministry to Children)

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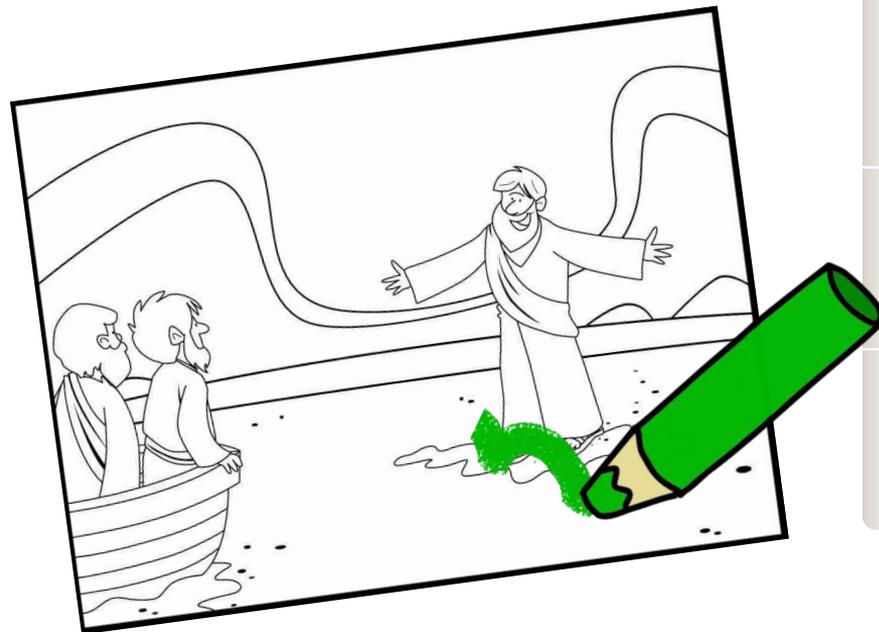
TOPIC

Walking on Water

STEPS

1. Handout the colouring page and pencils / crayons.
2. Encourage the children to colour in the picture.

Colouring source: Ministry-to-children

**Link**

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SERIES

The Gospel of John

BIBLE FOCUS

John 6:16-21

TOPIC

Walking on Water

STEPS

1. Fill a large container with water.
2. Let the children play in the water with the toys, containers, funnels and other objects.
3. Use the toy boat to retell the story. Put some of the toy people in the boat as the disciples.
4. Use the containers to pour water on the boat recreating a storm and use one of the toy people to be Jesus walking on the water.

Water Play

YOU'LL NEED...

- Large container of water
- Water toys, containers, funnels and other objects that can be used in water
- Toy Boat
- Toy People



Link

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SERIES

The Gospel of John

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John 6:16-21

TOPIC

Walking on Water

STEPS

1. Set the large container of water up and have the items in a container next to the water.
2. Ask a child to choose an item and guess if it will float or sink. Have them put it in the water to see what happens.
3. Choose another child and get them to pick an item and predict what will happen.
4. Ask the children why they think each item floats or sinks.
5. Encourage them to try other items they can see, eg, leaves, sticks, etc.



Link

Some things sink and some float but Jesus can do what seems impossible, like walking on water.

Will it Float?

YOU'LL NEED...

- Large container/sensory table/sandpit shell filled with water
- Different objects, eg straws, corks, patty pans, rope, ribbon, plastic lid, pegs, feather, rocks, pipecleaner, sponge, paddlepop stick, pasta, etc.

Go Fish

YOU'LL NEED...

- Decks of cards (can use regular cards or Bible cards/SBK specific cards such as 'Gospel of Mark' cards)

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STEPS

1. If there are only 2-3 players deal 7 cards to each of the players. If there are more than three players, deal 5 cards each. The remainder of the deck is placed in a pile in the centre of the players.
2. Players take turns to ask another player if they have a particular card. For example, "Sarah - do you have a nine?" (Note: the player must have at least ONE of that types of cards before they ask others for the same type of card). If Sarah has a nine, then she must give all of her 'nines' to the player who is asking. However, if Sarah does not have a nine, then she says "go fish."
3. If you are told to 'go fish' you must pick up a card from the centre pile and add it to your collection in your hand.
4. Once a player gets all four suits of the same rank, then they put the cards face up in front of them.
5. The game ends when one player runs out of cards or there are no more cards in the centre deck. The winner is the player who has the most piles or suits of cards in front of them.



Link

Jesus' friends followed him and trusted him, we can trust him too.

Bible Directory Bookmarks

YOU'LL NEED...

- Bibles
- Printout Worksheet #1 - Bible Directory Bookmarks

SERIES

The Gospel of John

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STEPS

1. Spend a bit of time looking up some of the passages listed on the 'Bible Directory' bookmarks. Encourage discussion about each passage and what it means.
2. Hand out the Scripture Directory Bookmarks. Remind the children how leaning into God's word is one way we can learn to grow in our strength and trust of God. Encourage them to use this whenever they need to.



Link

The Bible is a great source of encouragement no matter what challenges we are facing. God promises to be with his people and help them, wherever they are.



A graphic of a worksheet with a grid pattern, tilted slightly to the right. The text "WORKSHEET 1" is printed in the top left corner of the grid.

WORKSHEET 1

The Bible Directory Bookmarks printable is available on the next page.

BIBLE DIRECTORY

- GOD'S EMERGENCY NUMBERS -

Questions about...

Who is God? Acts 17:24-28
Who is Jesus? Matthew 16:13-16
Holy Spirit John 14:15-18, 25-27
The Bible 2 Timothy 3:14-17
Prayer Matthew 6:5-13
God's Plan John 3:16

When you are feeling...

Upset John 14
Afraid Matthew 8:23-27
Tired Isaiah 40:29-31
Worried Matthew 6:25-34
Sad John 16:16-33
Lonely Psalm 91
Jealous James 3:13-18
Discouraged Hebrews 12:1-11
Tempted Psalms 15, 19, 139
Angry Ephesians 4:26-32
Weak Psalm 18:1-29
Lack of Faith Exodus 14
Needing Courage Joshua 1
Needing Direction Psalm 73:21-26
Seeking Peace Matthew 11:25-30

Situations Involving...

Family Ephesians 6:1-4
Forgiveness Matthew 18:21-35
Illness Matthew 4:23
Love 1 Corinthians 13
Wisdom James 1:5-8
Money Matthew 6:19-24
Pride 1 John 2:15-17

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COLOSSIANS 3:12



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Beanbag Toss

YOU'LL NEED...

- Mini Beanbags
- Paper cut out fish

STEPS

1. Have large cut out fish. On each fish place one of the following letters D-O-N-T-B-E-A-F-R-A-I-D. Place these fish cutouts on the floor, scattered around and in no particular order.
2. Each child stands around the edge and takes turns to throw a mini beanbag on a fish.
3. The child is to read the letter on the fish they caught/landed on. Then give an example of something that they might be scared of or a 'stormy' thing that they might face (either now or in the future), naming something starting with that letter. e.g., D = Dark, Doubt. F = Friendship troubles. A = Anxiety, etc.
4. *Remind the children that Jesus is always with us and has power over everything, so we don't need to be afraid.*



Link

When we feel scared or worried, Jesus is with us and cares for us.

Q & A with Visiting Missionary

YOU'LL NEED...

- Guest Speaker
- Pencils
- Clipboards
- Printout Middle East Worksheet: [CMS](#)

STEPS

1. This week we will be having one of our Mission Partners visit our services. 'M' has been working in an undisclosed area in the Middle East, through the support of CMS (Church Missionary Society).
2. 'M' will talk with us about some of the Gospel work she has been doing in this predominantly Muslim country.
3. We will be inviting the children to ask questions of M about her experience, the challenges, temptations, and blessings she has encountered whilst serving overseas in this country.
4. During small group time, talk with the children about what questions they might like to ask 'M'.
5. Hand out the worksheets for the children to complete and use the information to help think of some questions and to learn a little more about the Middle East.



Link

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GAME: Boat and Water

YOU'LL NEED...

- Chalk line/cement line

STEPS

1. Make a long, straight line on the ground. Arrange all the children so that they are behind the line. One side of the line is the "boat" and the other is the "water".
2. The leader calls out "boat" or "water" and the children need to jump with two feet together to the boat or water.
3. As you continue, start to say it faster, so the children have to quickly jump from one side to the other.

Boat

Water



Link

Jesus performed another miracle by walking on water. Jesus has power over the everything, even storms and waves obey him.

SERIES

The Gospel of John

BIBLE FOCUS

John 6:16-21

TOPIC

Walking on Water

STEPS

1. Split the kids up into teams.
2. Give each team 3-4 carpet square mats.
3. Set out the cones to make a start and finish.
4. Teams must get from one side of the room to the other by only using the mats.
5. If they touch the floor, they must go back to the start.
6. The first team (whole team) past the finish line are the winners!



Link

The disciples needed Jesus to get safely across the lake, we need Jesus to help us too.

GAME: Walking on Water

YOU'LL NEED...

- Carpet square mats
- Cones