

First Look | March 22

Today's Bible Story: Jesus Walks on Water • Matthew 14:22-33; Mark 6:45-52; Luke 6:16-21

Jesus can do anything.

Key Question: Who is amazing?

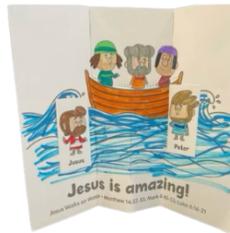
Bottom Line: Jesus is amazing.

Memory Verse: "We have seen amazing things today!" (Luke 5:26 NLT).

1. Walk on Water

What You Need:

- "Walk on Water" Activity Page
- "Jesus and Peter Walk" Activity Page
- Cardstock
- Crayons or washable markers
- Glue stick
- Scissors
- Permanent marker



What You Do:

Before the Activity: Copy "Walk on Water" on cardstock, one per child and leader. Copy "Jesus and Peter Walk" on cardstock and cut, one set of cutouts per child and leader. Cut along the dotted line on each child's paper. Write each child's name on their paper, fold along the lines, and then lay flat. Create an example.

During the Activity: Encourage children to color their paper and pictures of Jesus and Peter. Help children glue Jesus to the left of the boat and Peter to the right side of the boat. Help fold papers as needed to make the boat pop out and bring Jesus and Peter closer to each other.

After the Activity: Connect the Bottom Line to the Bible Story.

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends, come to the table and let's make some super cool story art to help us remember today's true story from the Bible!"

During the Activity: "Color your picture of the boat and the water, and your picture of Jesus and Peter. (Pause.) Turn over your picture of Jesus and rub some glue on it. (Pause.) Great! Glue Jesus here (point) on your paper. (Pause.) Now turn over the picture of Peter and rub glue on it. (Pause.) Glue Peter here (point) on your paper. (Pause.) Now watch! (Fold the paper together to move Jesus and Peter closer together.) Amazing!"

After the Activity: "In our story, the disciples were out in a boat in the middle of a lake when a big storm started. Then they saw Someone walking toward them in the middle of the storm."

The disciples were so afraid. But it was Jesus! Peter said, 'If it's really you, call me out on the water, and Jesus did.' When Peter was out on the water with Jesus, he got scared when he heard the wind and waves splashing around him and started to sink. But Jesus pulled him out of the water, and when they got into the boat, the storm stopped. It was over. Wow! The disciples were amazed! They knew that Jesus was so powerful and no one else could do what Jesus did. They knew that Jesus could do anything because ***[Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing! Who is amazing? [Bottom Line] Jesus is amazing!***"

2. Pray

Dear God, thank You for loving us so much that You sent Jesus to be our AMAZING friend forever. Jesus really is amazing. He can do things no one else can! We love You, God. In Jesus' name, Amen."