

Babies/Toddlers "The Gospel Project" Jesus Walked on Water August 16, 2020

Unit Key Passage: "God, you have done many things...for us." Psalm 40:5 (CSB)

Bible Passage: Matthew 14; Mark 6; Luke 9; John 6

Main Point: Jesus showed that He is God's Son.

Gospel Gems:

Jesus walked on the water to His friends.

• Jesus rescued Peter when he started to sink.

• Jesus' friends believed He is God's Son.

Christ Connection: Jesus showed that we can trust Him.

Supplies:

- "Jesus Walked on Water" Story Picture
- Construction Paper
- Paintbrushes
- Cups of Water
- Painter's Tape/Blocks

Story Prop: Use the provided "Jesus Walked on Water" Story Picture while sharing the Gospel Gems and/or Bible Story.

BIBLE STORY FOR TODDLERS

People followed Jesus everywhere. Jesus told His friends to get in a boat and go across the sea. Jesus sent the crowds home and went on the mountain to pray. When it was nighttime, Jesus walked on the water to His friends. The friends were scared! People cannot walk on water! Jesus said, "It's Me! Do not be afraid." Peter said, "Lord, if it is You, tell me to come out to You." Jesus said, "Come!" Peter stepped out of the boat. He was walking on water to Jesus! When Peter looked at the big waves, he began to sink. "Lord, save me!" he cried. Jesus took Peter's hand and brought him back to the boat. Then the storm stopped. His friends said, "You really are God's Son!"

Say: Jesus walked on the water to His friends. Peter wanted to walk on water too, but Peter was afraid and began to sink. Jesus rescued Peter when he started to sink. **Jesus showed He is God's Son.**

Themed Play Activities

Engage the babies/toddlers in play with toys and books throughout the morning.

PAINT WITH WATER

Provide colorful <u>construction paper</u>, <u>paintbrushes</u>, and small <u>cups</u> with a little <u>water</u>. Encourage babies/toddlers to "paint" with water, assisting as needed. Talk about the Bible story as babies/toddlers paint.

Say: Jesus walked on the water to His friends. People cannot walk on water. Jesus' friends believed He is God's Son because **Jesus showed He is God's Son.** Jesus did what only God can do.

SIT IN A BOAT

Use <u>blocks</u> or <u>painter's tape</u> to make an outline of a boat on the floor. Encourage toddlers to play out sitting in and jumping out of the boat. Invite toddlers to play out walking on the water. Tell the Bible story.

Say: Jesus walked on the water to His friends, something only God could do. **Jesus showed He is God's Son**, and His friends worshiped Him.

Worship

During the morning engage the babies/toddlers in a time of worship.

Sing a hymn

Sing the first verse of "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus." If you are unfamiliar with the song, listen to it online before the session. Consider holding and pointing to the <u>Bible</u> or <u>Bible</u> story picture as you sing.

"Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear, Things I would ask him to tell me if he were here. Scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea, Stories of Jesus, tell them to me."

Say: The Bible tells us that Jesus walked on the water to His friends. Jesus showed He is God's Son, and Jesus showed that we can trust Him.

Other Worship Songs

- · This Little Light of Mine
- · Jesus Loves Me
- · Jesus Loves the Little Children
- · My God is So Big
- · If you're happy and you know it
- · I've got the Jov
- · Rejoice in the Lord Always and Again I Say Rejoice

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