

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

Life of Jesus: Jesus Calmed a Storm. Jesus Can Calm Your Storms.

Scripture Reference: Mark 4:35-41 , Matthew 8:23-27

Youtube: 62 Jesus Calms the Storm, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iEAUHUjq7nI>

Scripture summary:

1. Jesus had just finished teaching a large crowd of people about faith in God. He and His disciples got into a boat to go to another town. On the journey, Jesus took a nap.
2. A storm arose. The strong wind forced water into the boat. Jesus was sleeping peacefully. The disciples were afraid. They awoke Jesus for help.
3. Jesus asked them, "Why are you afraid? Where is your faith?"
4. Jesus commanded the wind and the waves saying, "Peace, be still." Immediately, the wind and waves obeyed, and calm returned to the boat.

Encouragement:

1. Circumstances change. (School/No school. Hanging with friends/Isolated from friends. No virus/Coronavirus, Children's Church/Church online)
2. Jesus loves you and wants you to remain at peace even when things around you seem to be constantly changing.
3. You can always pray to God and get help and find peace in times of troubling change, fear, unrest, etc. (Hebrews 4:16)

Object Lesson:

Fill a tall glass half way with water, and sit it on a table. With a long handled spoon, stir the water inside to create a whirlpool. Remove the spoon. What happens? Answer: The water immediately begins to return to its resting state. Just like that, Jesus can remove fear, unrest, etc. when we rest in His peace and have faith in Him during the storm, unfavorable circumstances.

Stir the water again to create another whirlpool. This time instead of removing the spoon, hold it steady so that it doesn't move. What happens? Answer: The whirlpool begins to subside, and the water returns to its restful state.

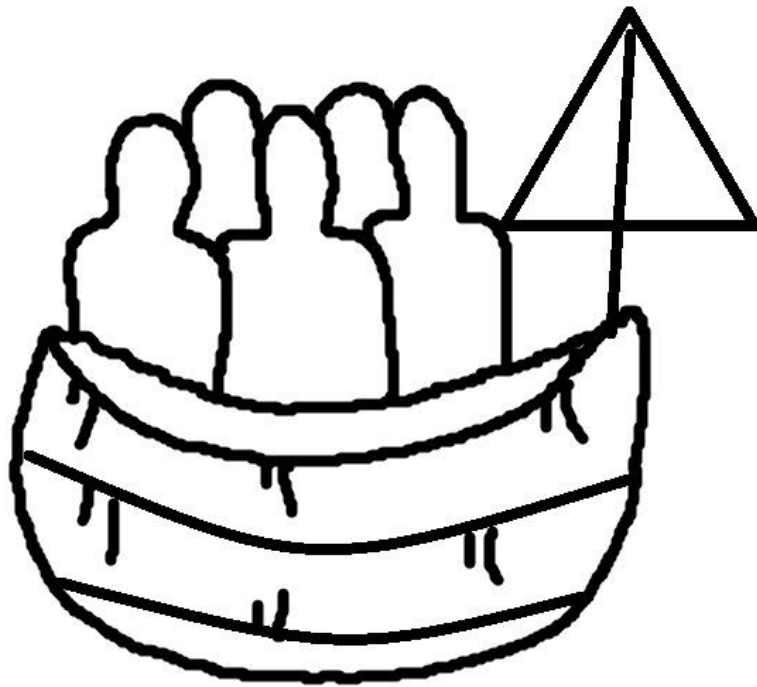
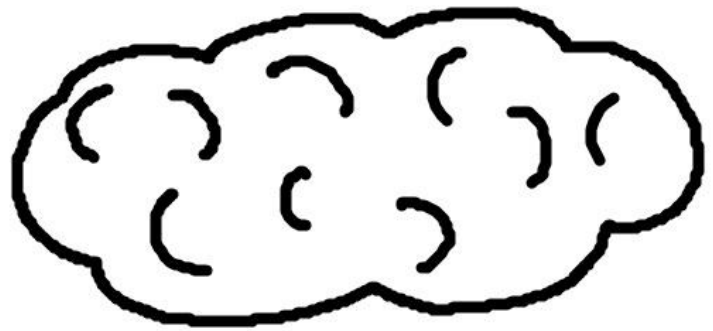
Keep the spoon in the glass and let it sit. What happens? Answer: The water remains at peace even though the spoon hasn't been removed. The spoon has stabilized in the cup, and yet there is peace and rest in the water. Sometimes unfavorable circumstances remain around us, but we are not harmed by the presence of outside circumstances when we remain in God's rest. We can still have peace in our heart even when unfavorable circumstances don't change as we would like for them to.

Craft: Make an origami boat to remind you of the peace that we have in Jesus. Write the Memory Verse of Power (MVP), John 14:6 on the boat.

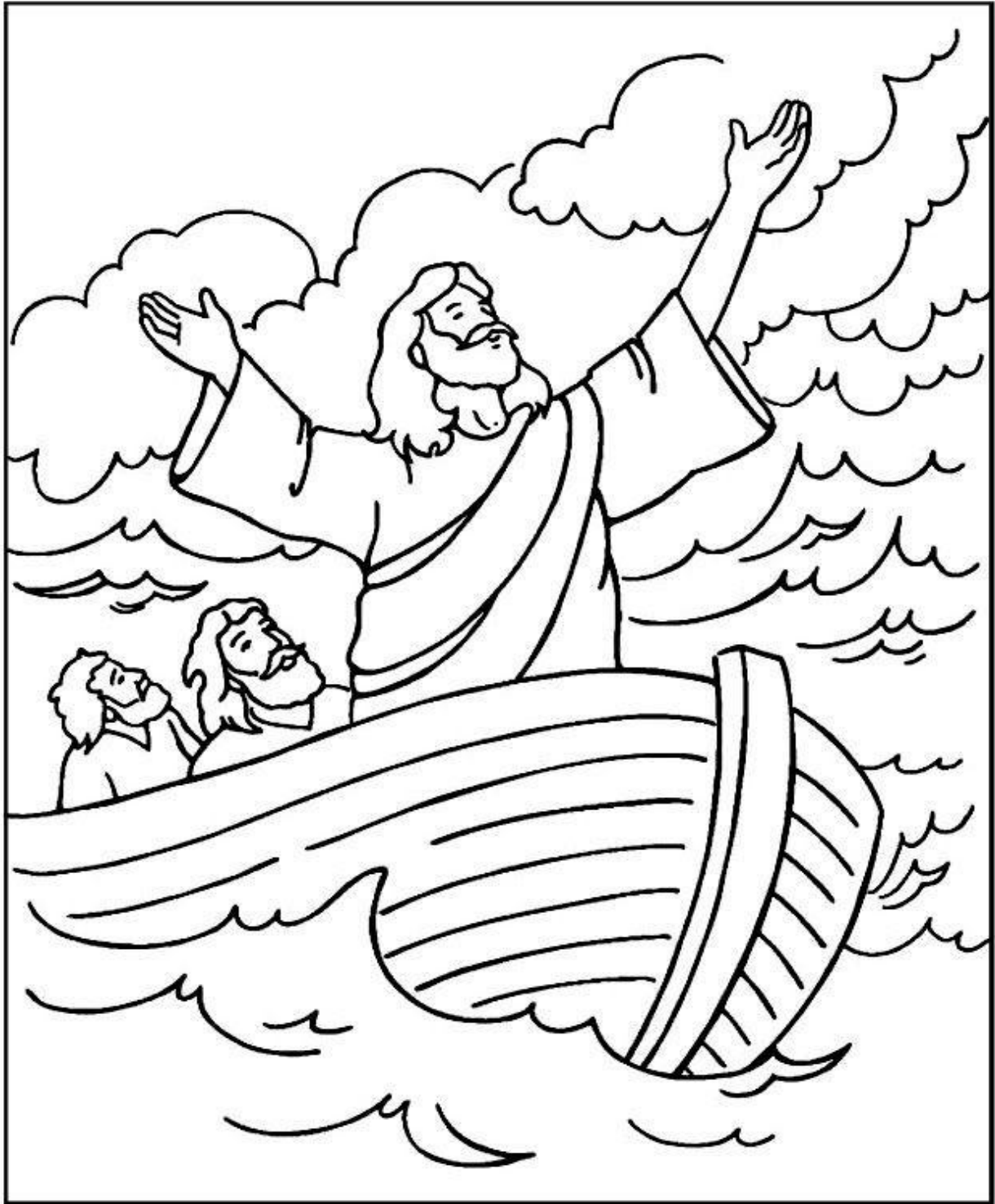
How to make a paper36 boat that floats - Origami

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6X7g5RWSEq4>

Jesus Calms The Storm



Color pieces (cloud, water, boat and people). Cut out pieces and assemble on a sheet of blue construction paper or paper plate.



Jesus Calms the Sea

The winds and the waves shall obey my will;
Peace, be still! Peace, be still!

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through Me. John 14:6



Jesus stopped a storm on the sea.

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