

#### Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus Walks on the Water 22 Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd, 23 After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone. 24 and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. 25 Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. 26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. 27 But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." 28 "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." 29 "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" 31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand

- 31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"
- 32 And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. 33 Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

## **Bible Teaching:**

Jesus is teaching his disciples about a certain kind of faith. He walks on the water to the boat the disciples were in without a life jacket or anything. The disciples were amazed. Peter wanted to try walking on water too. He believed that Jesus could help him be able to do it, and he did. But then he got scared and started to sink. He asked Jesus for help and Jesus helped him back into the boat. The disciples were amazed and believed that Jesus was the son of God.

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Have you ever wanted to try something new but were too afraid?
- 2. Have you ever tried something even though you were afraid? What helped you overcome your fear enough to try it?
- 3. Have you ever tried something new and messed up? Did you try again? How did it make you feel when you did it?
- 4. How do you think Peter felt when he was walking on water?
- 5. What effect do you think this experience had on Peter's trust in Jesus?

# Don't forget the weekly Zoom meeting (10 pts)!

### **Road Trip Challenge:**

- 1. Take a picture of the Lake and post it on BART Facebook page. (5 points)
- 2. Make a sand castle or sculpture and post a picture on BART Facebook page. (5 points.)
- 3. Post about one new thing you tried doing this summer and how it made you feel on BART page. (5 points per child.)

