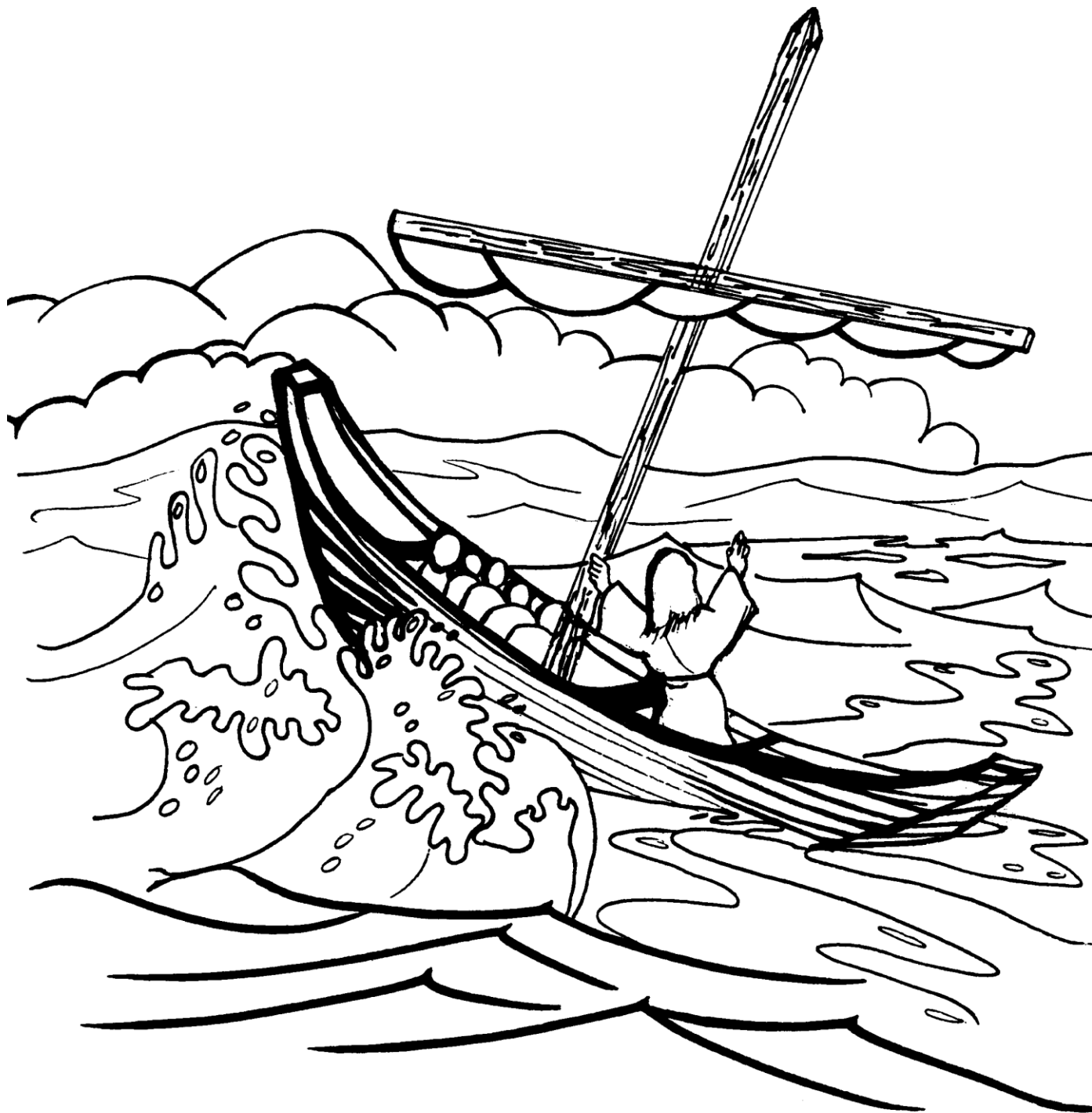


Story Time - Read the story to the children
Lesson 193: JESUS CALMS A STORM
MATTHEW 8:23-27

Jesus got into a boat, and his disciples, or followers, went with Him. After the boat left the shore, suddenly a very bad storm began on the sea, covering the boat with waves. But Jesus was sleeping. The disciples went to Him and woke Him. They said, "Lord, save us! We are drowning!" Jesus answered, "Why are you afraid? You have very little faith." Then He stood up and gave a command to the wind and the seas. The wind stopped, and the sea became very calm. The men were amazed. They said, "What kind of man is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!"

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"Jesus calms a storm."
Matthew 8:23 – 27

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MEMORY VERSE:

“Then they cry out to the LORD in their trouble, and He brings them out of their troubles. He calms the storm, so that the waves are still.” PSALM 107:28-30

Review Questions

True or False

1. When Jesus got into a boat, the Pharisees followed Him.
2. Suddenly a very bad storm began on the sea, covering the boat with waves.
3. But Jesus was awake.
4. Jesus’ disciples came to Him and woke Him up saying, “Lord, let’s do some fishing!”
5. Jesus’ disciples came to Him and woke Him up saying, “Lord, save us! We are drowning!”

Questions

1. Who was in the boat?
2. What happened when they were in the boat on the sea?
3. Where was Jesus when the very bad storm came suddenly on the sea?
4. What did Jesus say to His disciples when they woke Him up & asked Him to help them?
5. What did Jesus do?
6. After Jesus commanded the wind and the sea, what happened?
7. What did the men say about Jesus after He made the storm calm?

Lesson 193 Visualization/Activity

Free-fall of Faith

Ask for a couple of volunteers to put their faith in you. Have them close their eyes, cross their arms across their chest, and fall back into your arms. It is important that they not step back or fold their body or limbs.

Explain that just like a little child jumps off a step into his mother or father's waiting arms, the Lord is there for us. He will not let us fall!

If we have asked Jesus to forgive our sin and to come into our hearts, He is always with us. We do not need to be afraid; we can just relax in the presence of Jesus. What an awesome way to live! Nothing can upset us or scare us or depress us when we truly live safe and sound in the presence of Jesus. No storm can shake us. No waves can break us. When we have Jesus with us, we can have peace, even in the middle of the storm.

Hiding Place

Lead your class in the chorus of "You Are My Hiding Place":

You are my hiding place,
You always fill my life
With songs of deliverance
Whenever I am afraid,
I will trust in you.
I will trust in you.
Let the weak say, "I am strong In the strength of the Lord."
I will trust in you.

PRAYER

Lead the children in a prayer of trust that Jesus is in control of our lives and situations despite the seeming circumstances. Give them the opportunity to accept Jesus into their hearts if they have not already done so.