

OVERVIEW CARD

CALMING THE STORM

Key Question: Who is there when you need Him? Bottom Line: Jesus is there when I need Him.

Memory Verse: "You are everything I need."

Psalm 119:57, NIrV

Bible Story Focus: Jesus can help me when I'm scared.

Calming the Storm Matthew 8:23-27

Coloring Page: Jesus Calms A Storm.

Music: Amazing Things

I Can Count on God My God is Number One

Bible Lesson: God's Story for Me Bible

Jesus Stops a Storm Pages 340 to 345

Story: Daniel Gets Scared (Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood)

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Memory Verse –

"You are everything I need."



ACTIVITY 1 ALL AGES

CALMING THE STORM

Time It!

Big Idea:

Children will collect the ball pit balls and place them inside the boat.

What You Need: White carpet tape, several ball pit balls, and a timer (you can use a smart phone)

What You Do:

- Using the tape, make an outline of a boat on the floor.
- Gather the children around the boat.
- Toss the balls around the perimeter of the boat.

2/3 YEAR OLDS:

Have them gather the balls and put them inside the boat.

4/5 YEAR OLDS:

- Explain to the children that you will set a timer to see how many balls they can get into the boat before time runs out and you yell STOP.
- Dump the balls back out and repeat, setting the timer for different amounts of time each time.
- Repeat as time and interest allow.
- Pick up all of the balls and *Bring it Back to Jesus

What You Say:

"Jesus was there for His friends in the boat when the storm started and they were afraid. He is with us when we're scared or afraid too. Who is there when you need Him? Jesus is there when I need Him."

Memory Verse -

"You are everything I need."



ACTIVITY 2 ALL AGES

CALMING THE STORM

Memory Verse Dance and STOP!

Big Idea:

Children will play a fun game of freeze dance while practicing their verse.

What You Need: CD player and music CD

What You Do:

- Place the CD player in the activity area and place the CD inside.
- Play the music and encourage the children to dance.
- Then stop the music and say, "STOP," loudly.
- Encourage the children to stop dancing and freeze.
- While the children are still, have them recite the memory verse.
- Restart the music and have the children continue to dance.
- Each time the music stops, have the kids recite the memory verse a different way: *quietly, loudly, while spinning around, while hopping, etc.*
- Repeat several times.

What You Say:

"Jesus was there for His friends in the boat when the storm started and they were afraid. He is with us when we're scared or afraid too. **Who is there when you need Him? Jesus is there when I need Him.**"

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ACTIVITY 3 ALL AGES

CALMING THE STORM

Parachute Storm

Big Idea:

Children will play with the parachute and pom-poms to recreate a storm.

What You Need: A parachute and black foam balls

What You Do:

- Spread out the parachute on the floor in an open area of the room. Have the children stand around the outside of the parachute.
- Ask the children to stand up and hold onto the parachute.
- Remind the kids that Jesus was with his friends the disciples in the boat, and that a big storm came and rocked the boat.
- Add the black foam balls to the parachute to make the storm.
- When you yell STOP, the children will hold the parachute still.
- Remind the kids that Jesus told the storm to STOP.
- Continue playing as time allows
- *Bring it Back to Jesus

What You Say:

"Jesus was there for His friends in the boat when the storm started and they were afraid. He is with us when we're scared or afraid too. **Who is there when you need Him? Jesus is there when I need Him.**"

Memory Verse -

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CRAFT WEEK 1 CALMING THE STORM Average of the state of

Calm Waters

What You Need: "Jesus Calms the Storm" Activity Page, small cotton balls, crayons, blue tissue paper squares and glue sticks

What You Do:

- Remind the children of today's Bible story
- Give each child a paper, two cotton balls and some tissue paper squares.
- Encourage the children to color the boat and sun.
- Help each child add glue to the cloud and under the boat.
- The kids will and add the clouds (cotton balls) and water (tissue paper).
- Clean up and *Bring it Back to Jesus

What You Say:

"Jesus was there for His friends in the boat when the storm started and they were afraid. He is with us when we're scared or afraid too. **Who is there when you need Him? Jesus is there when I need Him."**

Memory Verse -

"You are everything I need."





Paint Mix Storm

What You Need: Cloud picture on cardstock, black and white tempera paint, paintbrushes, wet wipes, wet paint signs, paint smocks *(optional)*

What You Do:

- Hand out the cloud picture to each child.
- Explain that they are going to mix paint colors to create a storm like in our story today.
- Squirt a small dot of white and black paint on opposite sides of the cloud.
- Tell the kids to use a paintbrush to mix the paint colors.
- As they mix, they should begin to see various shades of gray appear.
- Clean their hands with wipes if needed.
- Help children place a "Story Label" on the page.
- Clean up and *Bring it Back to Jesus

What You Say:

"Jesus was there for His friends in the boat when the storm started and they were afraid. He is with us when we're scared or afraid too. **Who is there when you need Him? Jesus is there when I need Him."**

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SMALL GROUP

CALMING THE STORM

STORY/PRAYER TIME

What you Need: Parent Take Home Card, Storybook "Daniel Gets Scared," Playdoh, Cookie Cutters, Rolling Pins, and Sticker Roll

Read: Have the children sit at the table while you read the book, "Daniel Gets Scared." The Children can either play with **playdoh** or color the **coloring sheet** to keep their hands busy while you read.

Review: Ask the kids some questions and give them a sticker when they answer.

- Go from child to child and have them repeat the memory verse for a sticker.
- Ask the children the Bottom Line question for a sticker.
- Using the Parent Take Home card, ask each child individually the questions pertaining to this week's lesson and give out a sticker.

Pray: Ask the kids to bow their heads and fold their hands while you pray. Here is a sample prayer you can use if you choose:

"Dear God, we know you are there to help us like you helped the men in our story today. Thank you that you are ALWAYS there when we need your help. We love you, Amen."

Memory Verse –

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