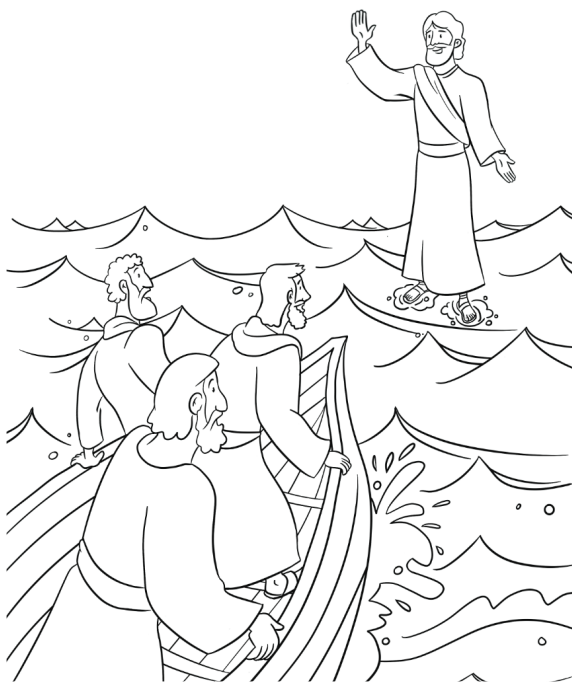


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TODAY'S TOPIC:
FLOAT OR SINK?



After Jesus had finished feeding the five thousand, Jesus told his disciples to get into their boat and go to the other side of the lake while he went up into the mountains to be alone and to pray.

While the disciples were going to the other side of the lake in their boat, the wind came up and the water began to get rough. The disciples became afraid that their boat would sink and they would be drowned. Then they looked, and they saw Jesus coming toward them and he was walking on the water. When Peter saw Jesus, he became excited and he said to him, "Lord, if that's really you, let me walk to you on the water. Jesus answered Peter and said, "Come."

Well Peter climbed over the side of the boat and started walking on the water to Jesus. Then he began to look around, he felt the strong winds and saw the waves and he became afraid and started to sink. He cried out to Jesus, "Help, save me!" Jesus reached out his hand and saved Peter and he said to him, "Oh, you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

As long as Peter kept his eyes on Jesus, he was walking on the water, but when he took his eyes off of Jesus, he began to sink.

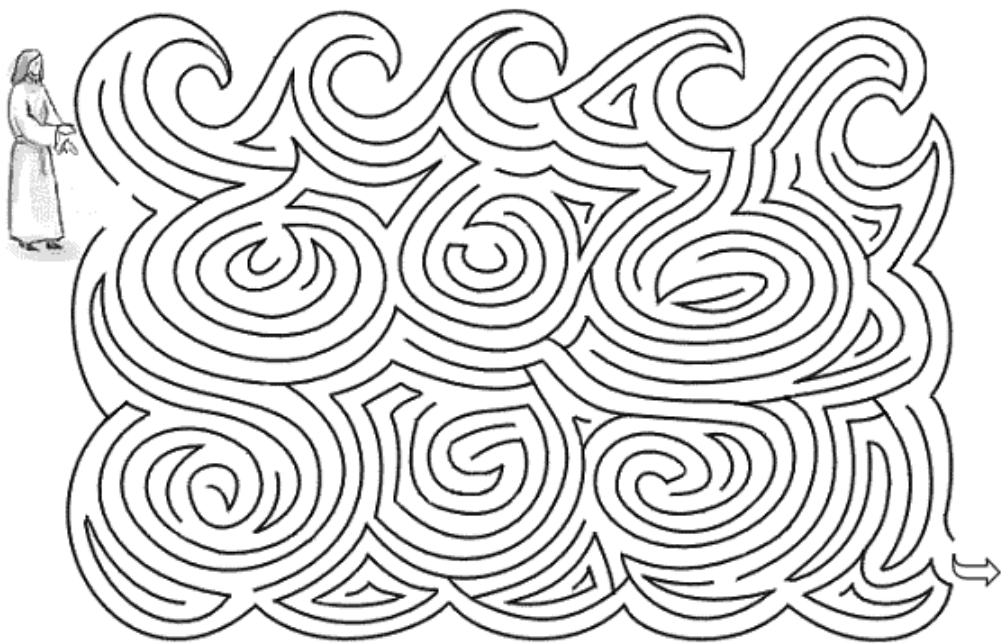
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EVENING
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As we go through life, there will be some storms. We will encounter some pretty rough water. As long as we keep our eyes upon Jesus and put our trust in him, we will be okay. But when we take our eyes off of Jesus and put our confidence in our own ability, we will surely sink!

Trust in the
LORD with
all your 
heart and
do not lean on
your own
understanding

Proverbs 3:5

FAITH OR FEAR

Look up these Bible verses. Which speak about faith, and which speak about fear?

BIBLE REFERENCE	FAITH	FEAR
Hebrews 11:6		
Joshua 1:9		
Romans 10:17		
2 Corinthians 5:7		
Psalms 23:4		
Psalms 34:4		
James 1:5-8		

