I Will Pray When I Am Afraid!

From Great Race Jr. Lesson 1

LEADERSHIP TRAIT- PRAYER
Great leaders seek God out in prayer when they are fearful of a situation.

LEADERSHIP LESSON
Your children will learn to pray when they are afraid.

LEADERSHIP STORY
Jesus and Peter walking on water. *(Matthew 14:22-33)*

MEMORY VERSE
Help your children memorize this verse.
"So let's not get tired of doing what is good." Galatians 6:9a (NLT)

Materials Needed:
- A Bible
- The Leadership Video - *I Will Pray When I Am Afraid*
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First:
Read the Leadership Story to your children. The Leadership Story for this lesson is about Jesus and Peter walking on the water and is found in Matthew 14:22-33.

Next:
Watch the Leadership Video, *I Will Pray When I Am Afraid,* with your family.

Then:
Complete the Child Leadership Questions, and lead your family through the Optional Family Activity.

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Child Leadership Questions:

1. What happened while the disciples were in the boat?
   (A storm.)

2. Who came to help the disciples in the storm?
   (Jesus.)

3. Did Jesus come in a boat or walk on the water?
   (Walked on the water.)

4. Who else walked on the water?
   (Peter.)

5. Was Peter afraid?
   (Yes.)

6. What did Peter do when he was afraid?
   (Called out to Jesus.)

7. Just like Peter called out to Jesus when he was afraid, you can do the same by praying. Tell me about a time when you might be scared.
   (When I have a bad dream. When I have to go to a new place.)

OPTIONAL FAMILY ACTIVITY: DON'T BE AFRAID TO PRAY

Gather your family together one morning to explain how to do this activity. Write the words "Did I scare you?" on a piece of paper. The person who has this paper will be the "Scarer" and can scare someone in the family. For example: You can walk up behind someone and tap them on the shoulder. Or you could hide behind a chair and jump out when someone walks into the room. Once the "Scarer" has scared someone, he or she should take time to pray with the person who was scared. The new "Scarer" will be the person who was scared. Continue the game until everyone has been scared and has had a chance to scare someone. At dinner that night, talk about how it felt to be scared and how praying made each person feel. Remind your family to pray when they are afraid. Talk about some of those times. Wrap up by praying that God will help everyone in the family remember to pray when afraid.

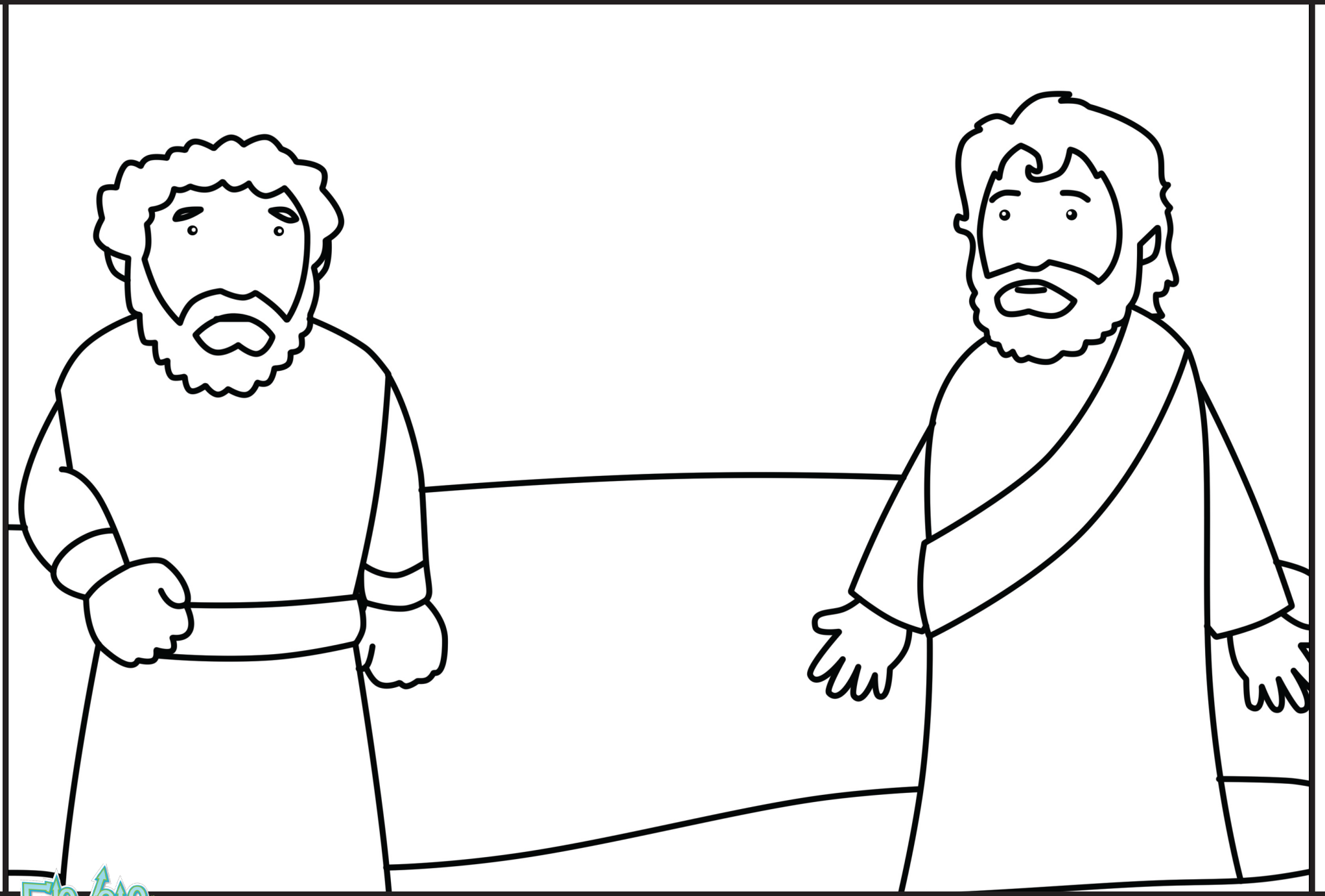
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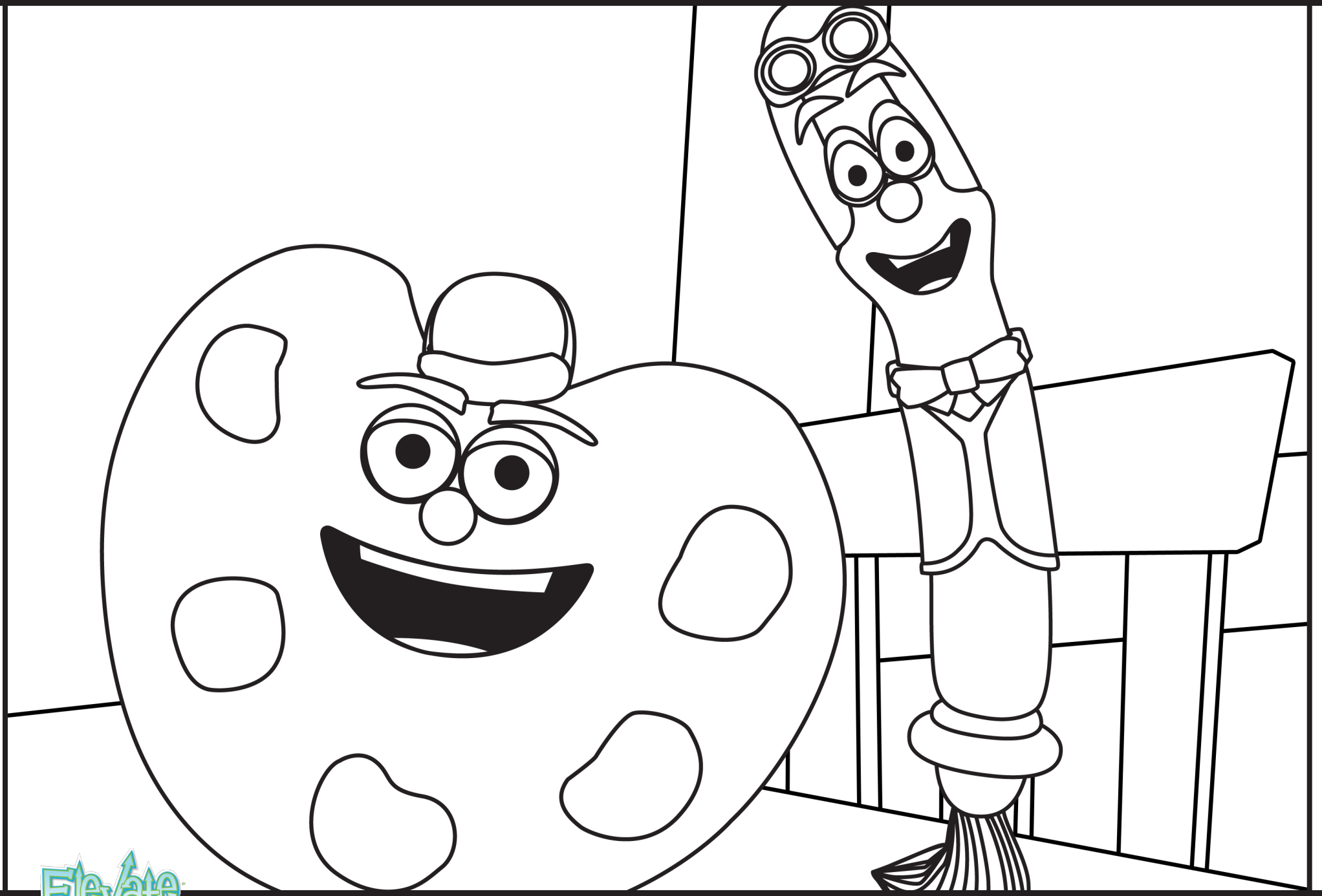
Jesus sent His disciples across the lake. (Matthew 14:22-33)

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Peter walked on water. (Matthew 14:22-33)

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