

Jesus Has Power Over Nature

Key Theme

- Jesus is God. He has power over nature!

Key Passage

- Matthew 14:25–27
- Luke 5:4–6

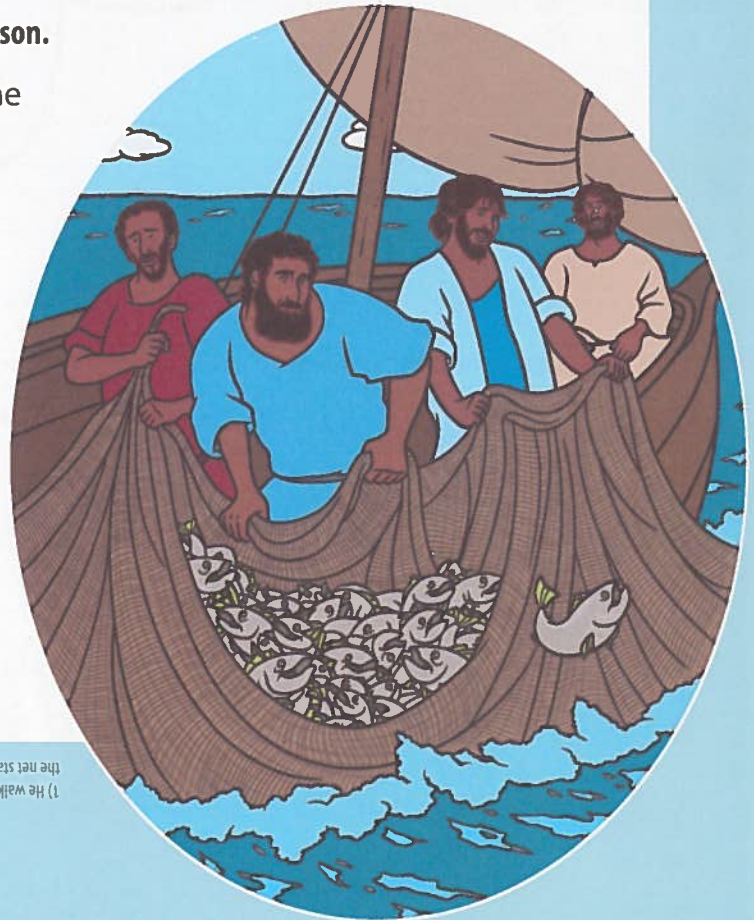


What You HEARD in the Word

- Jesus has power over nature. He walked on the water. He helped Simon Peter catch lots of fish.

Ask your child these questions from today's lesson.

- 1 How did Jesus get to the disciples in the boat during the storm?
- 2 What happened when Simon Peter obeyed and let his net down again?
- 3 What did the disciples do after they saw Jesus's power?



1) He walked on the water. 2) He caught so many fish the net started to break! 3) Worshiped Jesus.



Read the Word with Mom & Dad

Monday (Luke 5:7)

Jesus caused Simon to catch the fish. How many boats were filled with fish?

Tuesday (Luke 5:8)

What did Simon Peter do when he saw Jesus's miracle?

Wednesday (Luke 5:10)

Who else was with Simon Peter?

Thursday (Matthew 14:26)

What did the disciples think they saw walking on the water?

Friday (Matthew 14:33)

What did the disciples do? What did they say?

Saturday (John 17:3)

Can you say the memory verse for your family?

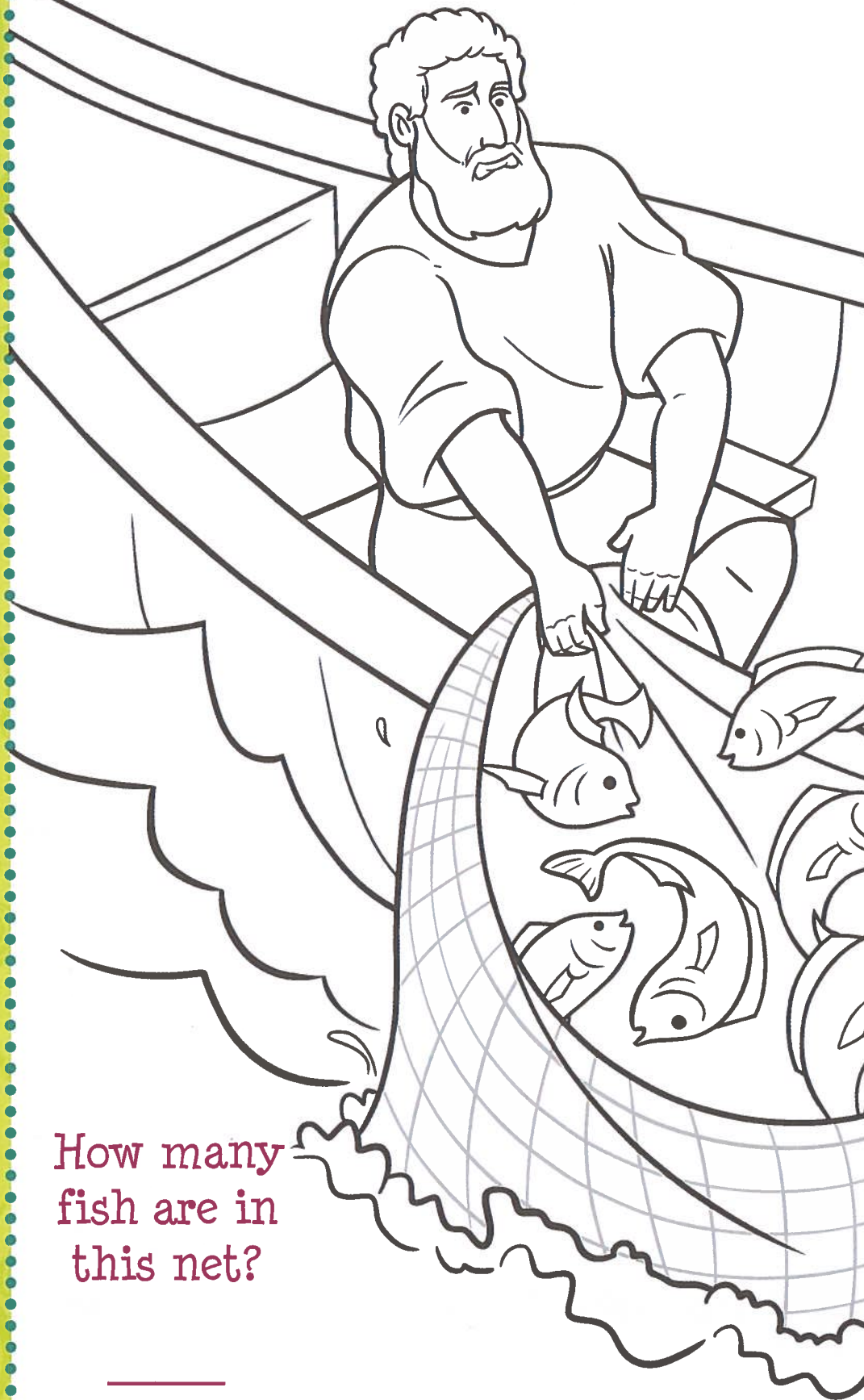
Learn the Word!

*And this is eternal life,
that they may know
You, the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom
You have sent.*

John 17:3

How Many Fish?

Simon Peter obeyed Jesus. What a surprise he got: so many fish the net started to break! Color the picture. Count the fish in the net!



How many
fish are in
this net?

Can you teach this new song to your family?

Jesus Has Power

(To the tune of "Ten Little Indians")

Jesus has power to walk on water!
(One little, two little, three little Indians,)

Jesus has power to catch the fi-ish.
(Four little, five little, six little Indians,)

Jesus has power over all of nature,
(Seven little, eight little, nine little Indians,)

All because He's God!
(Ten little Indian boys!)

Jesus is God!
He has **POWER**
over nature—even
over the fish
of the sea!

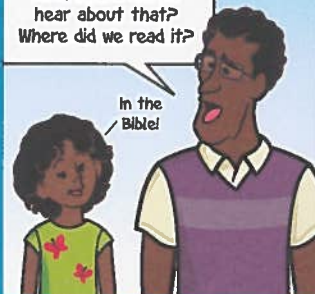


LIVE the Word
with Maria and Her Dad

Dad, do you think Jesus REALLY walked on the water?



Well, where did we hear about that? Where did we read it?



In the Bible!

So, what do YOU think? Is it true?



It has to be true! God's Word is true! God wouldn't lie.



SNEAK PEEK
Who can heal the sick and make the blind see? Come and find out next week!

HomeWord

For Parents

Jesus is the Creator of all that is. Jesus is the Sustainer of the entire universe. As Creator and Sustainer, Jesus has authority over His creation—over every atom. It is no problem for Him to change water into wine (John 2:1–11) or to multiply bread and fish (John 6:1–14).

In this lesson, we looked at accounts from the Bible where Jesus demonstrated His power over nature. These included the miraculous catch of fish, walking on the water, and calming the storm.

As the disciples witnessed Jesus’s miracles, they began to get a better understanding of who this man, Jesus, was. A defining moment for Jesus’s disciples, and particularly for Peter, was during the storm, recorded in Matthew 14. After Jesus walked out to them on a stormy sea, Peter showed his faith when he said to Jesus, “. . . command me to come to You on the water” (Matthew 14:28). Jesus commanded Peter to come, and Peter

walked on the water. Wow! What faith! However, Peter looked away and began to sink. Peter is often mocked for his lack of faith that caused him to sink, but none of the other disciples got out of the boat!

At the end of this episode, Jesus got into the boat and commanded the storm to be still—and nature obeyed its Creator. The account finishes by telling us that “those who were in the boat came and worshipped Him, saying, ‘Truly You are the Son of God’” (Matthew 14:33).

Yes, truly Jesus is the Son of God—God in the flesh—the Creator of all that is. He has power over nature. He walked on the water! He calmed the sea! He produced an overwhelming catch of fish! These things, and so many more, He did so we would know that He is the holy, omnipotent God.

Go to the Online Resource Page for more information.

OutWord

For Family Discussion

What if your friend just can’t believe some of the things the Bible says Jesus did? He just thinks it couldn’t be true! **What could you say?**

The Bible was written by reliable eyewitnesses who were careful to write what was true. God inspired them to write down everything in it, including the part about miracles. The Bible is God’s Word, and He does not lie. Jesus performed miracles to show that He was God and that God sent Him and approved of Him. Jesus’s disciples saw Him walk on water, calm the storm, and cause Simon Peter’s great catch of fish. Many witnesses saw Jesus’s miracles and believed He was God as a result of them. The miracles in the Bible are true. They really happened. And they reveal that Jesus is the one true God, who alone should be worshipped.

inWord

For Family Study

“You are my hiding place and my shield; I hope in Your word” (Psalm 119:114). Where does confidence in God’s protection and hope in His Word come from? Teach your children where real hope lies—read and memorize Scripture together.

Begin with the memory verse in the Learn the Word section inside this handout.

