



# 365

## KIDS CLUB

### 6-WEEK WATER SERIES



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# **LESSON SIX**

## **MIRACLE OF JESUS PART 2**

### **WALK ON WATER**

## **LESSON IMAGES**

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## **LESSON SUPPLIES**

1. Large blue bedding sheet.
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# LESSON INTRO

## FOCUS: FIX MY EYES

**ASK:** Who's ready to dive into the last Bible lesson today in our water series?

**SAY:** Over the past few weeks, we have had so much fun learning about some Bible stories that involve water and how we can partner with the Church of God World Missions Department through the Dime Challenge.

We have all really had to FOCUS on our goal of filling up our plastic bottles with dimes these past five weeks, and if we hadn't FOCUSED so hard on doing so, we would have never filled these plastic bottles to provide a well or filtration system for those in need of clean water.

Today's story theme is about just that - FOCUS.

**ASK:** Everybody, repeat after me.

Say, "FOCUS!" (FOCUS!) Say, "FIX MY EYES!" (FIX MY EYES!)



# PETER WALKS ON WATER

## MATTHEW 14:22-33

**SAY:** Last week, we began to look at one of the miracles of Jesus, and today is part 2 as we look at one more miracle that involved water.

Our story begins in the book of Matthew, chapter 14, verse 22.


(Pick four children to hold one corner of each of the blue sheets. Explain to them that at a certain point in today's story, they will shake their corner of the sheet to make it move up and down like a wave.)

**SAY:** Jesus had been teaching, and then He instructed the disciples to get into a boat and go to the other side of the lake while he dismissed the crowd. After dismissing them, He went up on a mountainside by Himself to pray.

Later that night, He was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, tossed by the waves because the wind was against it. (Cue the four kids to shake their corner of the blue sheet.)

Shortly before dawn, Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw Him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said and cried out in fear.

**ASK:** Everyone cry out, saying, "It's a ghost!" (It's a ghost!)



# DON'T FEAR, JUST FOCUS

**SAY:** But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”

“Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.”

“Come,” He said.

(Cue the kids with the blue blanket to really shake their corner.)

**SAY:** Then Peter got out of the boat, walked on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink. He cried out, “Lord, save me!”

Immediately, Jesus reached out His hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” He said, “why did you doubt?”

And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.

(CUE the kids with the blue sheet to be still.)

Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

**ASK:** Who thinks they could have stepped out of the boat onto the big waves and walked on water without any fear?

(Allow responses.)

## KEEP YOUR EYES ON JESUS!

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# WRAP IT UP

**SAY:** Help me thank our helpers today with the waves.  
(Dismiss the four kids back to their seats.)

When Peter took his eyes off Jesus, he began to sink.  
His focus wasn't on Jesus.

Kids, that is just like us.

We can let the waves of life distract us, causing fear, worry, and doubt.  
But if we keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, if we FOCUS on Him no matter what, we have no reason to doubt. Just as He asked Peter, "You of little faith, why do you doubt?"

**ASK:** Did Jesus ever leave Peter out on the waves alone?  
(Allow responses.)

**SAY:** No, and He will never leave our side either.  
We have to make the choice to keep our eyes above on Him and not below on things of this world. He will always take care of us, just as He did Peter in today's story.



# PRAYER



**PRAY:** This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for those who may have situations in their lives causing them fear, worry, or doubt. Maybe some of them have had a tough time staying focused on Jesus. Give them the opportunity to pray before concluding in the DIME CHALLENGE.

## HOW CAN WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

**SAY:** We've been given an incredible opportunity over the past 5 weeks to GO and SHARE with people in need of clean water through our DIME Offering Challenge. By raising these funds, we can sponsor a well/filtration system for those in need of clean water through the Church of God World Missions project.

You and your family have hopefully filled up your 16 oz plastic bottle with dimes over these several weeks. For every bottled filled is about \$100!

**ASK:** Who has accepted this challenge and filled their bottle with dimes?

**SAY:** That's awesome! We are so excited about the DIFFERENCE you'll make in the lives of those in need of clean water.

Now we want to take the next few moments to pray over these bottles.

I believe God is going to do amazing things through your action and heart of giving.

Let's PRAY.

\*(You can adjust the ending of these series in a way you think fits your church best. Maybe your DIME CHALLENGE was a church wide fundraiser, you may want to take the bottles out to the adult service and have everyone join in the prayer over them at the end. Be creative and celebrate ALL the kids did to make this happen for others.)

# FOCUS ON JESUS!

