

Interactive story

Session Five – Jesus Calms the Storm

Bold text – Narrator

(Bracketed Italics) – everyone to join in

This interactive story works best with big groups. Start by teaching the group the interactive bits in brackets. When you get to them in the script, repeat them 2 to 3 times.

Have fun and be creative; you may wish to teach some volunteers ahead of time to help you tell the story. It's up to you. You're in charge!

Jesus and his disciples climbed into a boat

(Everyone pretend to climb into a boat)

It rocked a little, to the right

(Everyone rock a little to the right)

It rocked a little to the left

(Everyone rock a little to the left)

And then everyone settled in their seat with a relieved sigh

(Everyone give a big, relieved sigh "Aah")

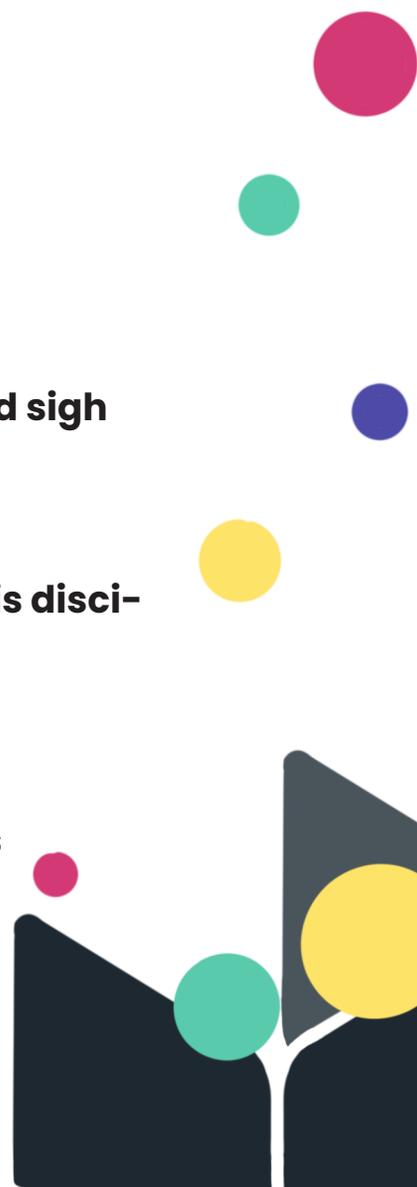
"Let's take this boat across the lake," said Jesus to his disciples. And off they went.

(Everyone shouts a happy "Yo-ho-ho!")

The trip was calm, at first. So calm, in fact, that Jesus fell fast asleep.

(Everyone snore.)

But then the wind began to blow.



(Everyone make a blowy wind sound)

And the waves began to rise.

(Everyone make a wave motion)

And the boat rocked a lot to the right.

(Everyone rock a lot to the right)

And the boat rocked a lot to the left.

(Everyone rock a lot to the left.)

And before they knew it, they were caught in the middle of a storm.

(Do all the above motions together)

So, Jesus' disciples woke him up.

(Everyone makes a motion like they are shaking someone awake.)

And, as one, they shouted, "Jesus we're going to die!"

(Everyone shouts, "Jesus, we're going to die!")

So, Jesus told the wind and the waves to be quiet.

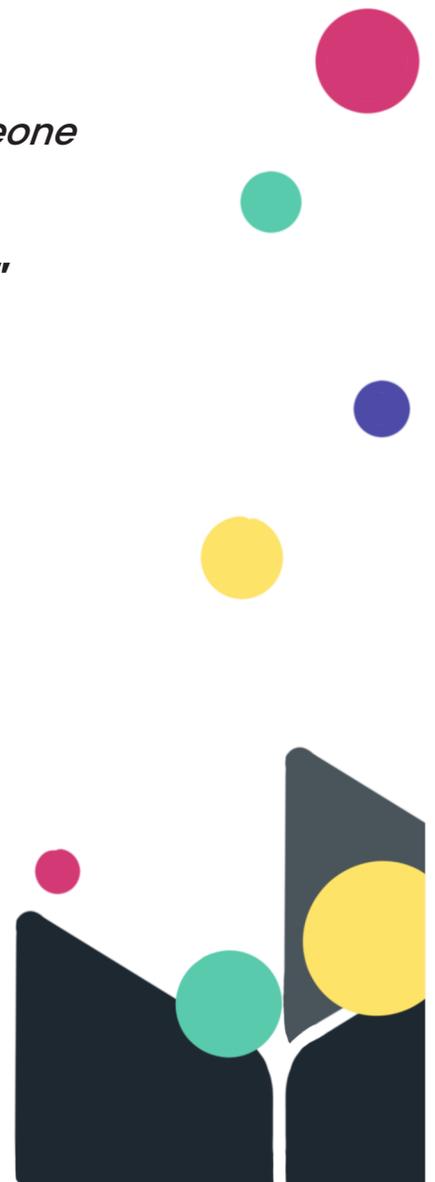
(Everyone go "Shhhhh,")

And that's what they did. And everything went calm.

(Everyone go "Aah" again.)

"Why didn't you trust me?" Jesus asked.

And all his disciples could do was tremble with fear,



(Everyone make a scared shaking motion.)

And marvel with wonder,

(Everyone go "Wow!")

And ask each other a question in return, "What kind of man is this, who controls the wind and the waves?"

(Everyone turns to neighbour and asks, "What kind of man is this, who controls the wind and the waves?")

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