

DEVOTIONAL #1

OUR STORY THIS WEEK IS FOUND IN MATTHEW 14:22-33. PETER STEPPED OUT OF A BOAT DURING A STORM BECAUSE HE HAD SEEN JESUS WALK ON TOP OF THE WATER, AND HE BELIEVED THAT IF HE TRUSTED JESUS, JESUS WOULD HELP HIM TO WALK ON TOP OF THE WATER ALSO. PETER DID WALK ON THE WATER, BUT HE SOON BECAME AFRAID AND STARTED TO SINK. WHEN PETER BEGAN TO SINK, JESUS REACHED OUT TO SAVE PETER EVEN THOUGH PETER DOUBTED. JESUS WANTS US TO TRUST HIM TO HELP US WITH DIFFICULT MOMENTS IN OUR LIVES JUST LIKE PETER NEEDED HELP IN THE STORM. JESUS REMINDS US TO HAVE FAITH IN HIM TO HELP US DO WHAT WE CANNOT DO ON OUR OWN.

TRY TESTING OUT SOME OBJECTS IN YOUR HOME TO SEE WHICH ONES WILL FLOAT OR SINK.

SUPPLIES: LARGE MIXING BOWL OR BAKING PAN, 4 SMALL OBJECTS (EXAMPLES: A ROCK, A SMALL BALL, A LEAF, A PENNY, A QUARTER, A FEATHER, A PLASTIC BLOCK, A SPOON, A PLASTIC LID, A CRAYON)

- 1. FILL THE BOWL OR PAN HALF FULL WITH WATER.**
- 2. CHOOSE ONE OF THE SMALL OBJECTS YOU HAVE COLLECTED, AND PREDICT WHETHER YOU THINK THE OBJECT WILL FLOAT OR SINK IN THE WATER.**
- 3. TEST YOUR PREDICTION BY PLACING THE OBJECT IN THE WATER.**
- 4. CONTINUE MAKING PREDICTIONS AND THEN TESTING YOUR PREDICTIONS FOR EACH OF THE OTHER 3 OBJECTS.**
- 5. RECORD THE NUMBER OF OBJECTS THAT FLOAT IN THE SPACE IN YOUR DIRTY JOBS JOURNAL. (IF NONE OF THE OBJECTS FLOAT WRITE "NONE " IN THE SPACE IN YOUR JOURNAL.)**

DEVOTIONAL #2

THE STORY OF JESUS AND PETER WALKING ON THE WATER TEACHES THAT WE CAN HAVE FAITH IN JESUS' POWER. MATTHEW 6:28 SAYS, "LORD, IF IT'S YOU," PETER REPLIED, "TELL ME TO COME TO YOU ON THE WATER." PETER KNEW THAT IF IT REALLY WAS JESUS, JESUS WOULD HAVE THE POWER TO HELP PETER WALK ON THE WATER. JESUS WANTS US TO TRUST IN HIM TO HELP US DO WHAT WE CAN'T DO ON OUR OWN. IN YOUR DIRTY JOBS JOURNAL, THINK OF ONE THING THAT YOU COULD HAVE FAITH IN JESUS TO HELP YOU TO DO. FOR EXAMPLE, YOU MIGHT WRITE SOMETHING LIKE THIS: "I CAN PUT MY FAITH IN JESUS TO HELP ME TO BE KIND TO PEOPLE EVEN WHEN THEY SAY MEAN THINGS TO ME."