Sunday 6th February 2022 – A Great Catch


Lots of people had gathered to hear Jesus teach and he thought to make it easier for them to hear him he would go out onto the lake and speak from a boat. The fishermen had just returned from working all night but hadn’t caught any fish. When he finished speaking Jesus told Simon, who owned the boat, to put it out into deeper water and to put the nets down again. Simon explained they had fished all night with no luck, but since Jesus asked, he would do it. When he put the nets in that they caught so many fish, the nets began to break. Simon was shocked. They had to ask the men on the other boat to help. Simon realised Jesus was no ordinary man – he knew Jesus was special. All the men who were there were amazed and when they returned to shore, they left everything they had to follow Jesus. These were the first disciples.

**Watch:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8WCCaSDZonY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8WCCaSDZonY) (Bible Builders)

Where was Jesus? Why were so many people there? What did Jesus do to help them? Who owned the boat? What happened when Jesus finished? What did the men do when they go back to shore? What can we learn from the disciples?

**Do:** Craft - [https://craftingthewordofgod.com/2013/05/25/miraculous-catch-of-fish/](https://craftingthewordofgod.com/2013/05/25/miraculous-catch-of-fish/)


Comic Book - Draw a comic strip to show the miracle of the great catch. Divide the story into sections and work together to complete the story.

**Pray:** Help me to understand who you are and the impact you can have on my life. Amen

Father in heaven watch over our loved ones.
Keep them by your side.
May they be safe and peaceful, in you may they abide.
Give wisdom to the doctors and nurses too we pray,
renew their strength and bless them for the work they do each day.
Send healing and restoration and let them feel your love.
May your Holy Spirit give them rest as gentle as a dove. Amen
(Taken from Praying Together)

**Share** – can you use Lego or other toys to recreate a scene from the story? Explain to someone what you have created.
Sunday 13th February 2022 – The Beatitudes

Read: Luke 6:17-26

A large crowd of people had gathered to hear Jesus speak, so he went to the side of a mountain and started to talk! Jesus explained all about God's love, the Kingdom of God and lots of other things. To start with Jesus used the Beatitudes. These are promises that God made to his people – he would always be with us. God promises that no matter what is happening in our lives we can be sure of his love and the reward we will get in heaven. Even when we are mourning (sad), standing up for what we believe in, or being insulted by other people because of our beliefs God will be with us, comforting us, making us feel better and being sure we do not face anything alone!

Watch: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XRQVj39WkDE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XRQVj39WkDE) (Saddleback Kids)

Can you learn the actions to the song?


Decoder - [https://sermons4kids.com/beatitudes_decoder](https://sermons4kids.com/beatitudes_decoder)

Wordsearch - [https://sermons4kids.com/beatitudes_wordsearch.htm](https://sermons4kids.com/beatitudes_wordsearch.htm)

Read Luke 6:17-26 and Matthew 5:1-12. Using these two versions can you think of who Jesus might have been talking about? Can you give modern day examples?

Pray: Thank you for always keeping your promises. Amen

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Share – Keep practising the Beatitudes song and actions.
Sunday 20th February 2022 – Calming the Storm


Jesus had been busy teaching. The disciples had been with him every day and had seen and heard all the incredible things Jesus had been doing. Jesus decided they should go to the other side of the lake, and as they were sailing, he fell asleep – he must have been very tired! As Jesus slept the weather changed, suddenly there were massive waves, and howling wind. The disciples were scared and woke Jesus up. ‘We are going to drown!’ When Jesus was awake, he told the wind and waves to stop – and they did! Everything was calm again. Jesus looked at his disciples and asked why they had been afraid – where was their faith? Did they not realise Jesus could and would help them through any storm? The disciples were truly amazed and asked each other who this was as even the wind and waves obeyed him – they were able to see how powerful God was.

Watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JkYVsBD8POE (Crossroad Kids)

Why was Jesus so tired? What did he do when he went on the boat? What happened when he slept? Why were the disciples afraid? What did Jesus do when he woke up? How was Jesus able to calm the storm? Why did he ask the disciples where their faith was?


Crossword - https://sermons4kids.com/jesus_calms_the_storm_crossword

Read this story in Matthew 8:23-27, Mark 4:31 – 35, Luke 8:22-25. What differences can you see in the story? What is the same? I wonder why this story is in 3 of the 4 gospels.

Pray: God when I feel scared or worried help me to remember that you can calm any storm. Amen.

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Share – Can you make a boat that floats using things from the recycling bin? (Ask permission first!)

Throughout his ministry Jesus liked to take time away and pray. At the start of today’s story Jesus goes to the top of a mountain to pray, and takes Peter, James, and John with him. As he is praying his appearance changes and he became bright white! Moses and Elijah appear with him, and the three men talk about God’s rescue plan and what else is going to happen. Peter, James, and John are sleepy when this first happens, but soon wake up! When Moses and Elijah went to leave, Peter asks if they should build shelters and stay on the mountain top. Peter did not want the experience to end. As he was speaking a voice from heaven spoke out and said ‘This is my son, who I have chosen. Listen to him!’ When the disciples looked again Jesus was alone and his appearance had returned to normal. The disciples did not tell anyone what they saw.

Watch: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KfT5mInsr9A (Saddleback Kids)

Where did Jesus take the 3 disciples? Why did they go there? What happened when Jesus prayed? Who came to be with Jesus? What did Peter want to do? Why did he want to build shelters? What did the voice from heaven say? Who was the voice? Why did the disciples not tell others about what happened?

Do: Colouring page - https://twistynoodle.com/jesus-3-coloring-page/
Wordsearch - https://sermons4kids.com/transfiguration_matt_wordsearch.htm
Decoder - https://sermons4kids.com/transfiguration_matt_decoder

Pray: God help me to listen to you. Amen

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Share – The voice from heaven told the disciples to listen to Jesus – can you take a few minutes to listen to God?