

Make: Peter Walks over the Sea to the Lord

Students will make a picture of the Lord walking on the sea and hide it behind a secret door. Using their picture and a Peter stick puppet, students will retell the story.

Materials Needed for Each Student

- background picture printed on—or glued to—stiff paper (see next page)
- Figures of the Lord and Peter on stiff or regular paper (see following page)
- a craft or popsicle stick
- tape or glue
- crayons, markers, or oil pastels
- scissors (for older students)
- *alternative method:* Instead of crayons, provide blue and green tissue paper. Students tear and glue pieces of tissue to picture the rough sea.



Preparation Needed Ahead of Time

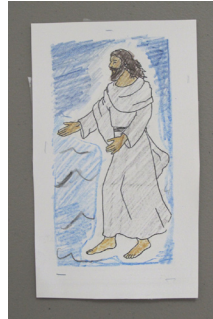
- Cut slits along the dotted lines on the background pages.
- Cut out the figures of the Lord and Peter.

Project Method

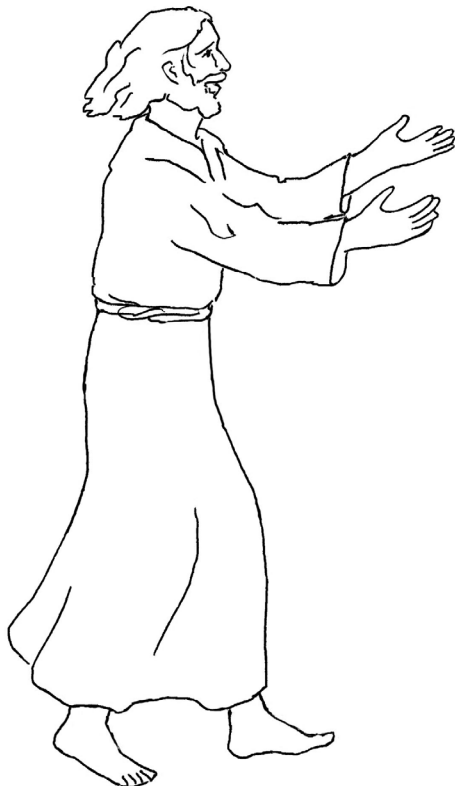
1. Today we will be making a picture of Peter walking over the sea to the Lord. Then we will use the picture to retell the story! Let's start by thinking about what the scene might have looked like. What color would we make the sky? (*dark, because it's night*)
2. What was the weather like? (*very windy so the waves were big*) How can we show big waves? *Optional:* Instead of coloring, tear and glue pieces of torn tissue to create waves.
3. Who appeared on the water? (*the Lord*) Distribute the pictures of the Lord. The disciples thought the Lord was a ghost. How could you show that? (*e.g. white light around Him*) Go ahead and color the picture of the Lord.
4. Let's tape (*or glue*) the Lord behind the hidden door. *Help students position the Lord. If using glue, put it around the edges of the door opening (on the back of the page) rather than on the picture of the Lord directly—it is more likely to be in the right place. Fold the door open so that it does not stick shut! Put aside to dry.*
5. *Distribute Peter figures for coloring, and popsicle sticks. Have the students color the figure and fasten a craft or popsicle stick to the back using tape or glue.*
6. Now let's tell the story. Start with Peter in the boat. *Have the students retell the story, revealing the Lord when He appears, and then having Peter leave the boat, come to the Lord, sink down, and grasp the Lord's hand to be saved.*



Figures of Peter & the Lord



Cut around the figure of the Lord in a rectangle as shown in the photograph above.



Cut around the figure of Peter as shown in the photograph above.

