

**Bible Story Focus:** Jesus can do what is impossible.

Walking on Water • *Matthew 14:22-33*

**Memory Verse:** “With God all things are possible.” Matthew 19:26, NIV

**Key Question:** Who can do anything?

**Bottom Line:** Jesus can do anything.

**Basic Truth:** Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

### **Boat Act Out**

*Made to Imagine: An activity that lets preschoolers pretend, imagine, and role play to enhance their learning*

**What You Need:** Floor tape, Bible

#### **What You Do:**

*Before the Activity:* Use the floor tape to make a large boat shape on the floor in the middle of the activity area.

*During the Activity:* Read or tell the Bible story from Matthew 14:22-33.

Have all family members except your child get into the boat and sway back and forth as if they are riding on the water. Retell the Bible story. Have the child that is not in the boat pretend to be Jesus and walk toward the boat. Repeat the activity until each family member has a turn to pretend to be Jesus.

#### **What You Say:**

*Before the Activity:* “WOW! A boat! (*Point.*) Let’s get in!”

*During the Activity:* “This boat looks like the one that was in our Bible story today. Let’s act out the story. Let’s pretend to ride in the boat (*sway with the children*). Uh-oh! I see a storm coming. It is raining! (*Cover your head.*) The water is getting really rough! (*Sway harder and move around the boat.*) I see Jesus! (*Have child start walking.*) WOW! Jesus can do what is IMPOSSIBLE! He is walking on the water!” (*Finish activity and repeat several times.*)

*After the Activity:* “Jesus can do anything! Jesus can do what is impossible! **Who can do anything? [Bottom Line] Jesus can do anything!**”