

Lord Save Me!



Introduction

Jesus performed all kinds of miracles when He was here. He made blind people see and deaf people hear. He put His hands on a dead little girl and brought her back to life. One day He spoke and he was so interesting to listen to that 5,000 men, plus women and children, came and listened. They probably listened through breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Do you think the people were hungry? Yes, they were! So Jesus' disciples, that is His followers, came to Jesus and asked Jesus if they could send them away into the surrounding villages to get something to eat because the people were hungry. But Jesus told them, "You give them something to eat." The disciples searched throughout the crowd, and they found a young man who had five loaves of bread and two fish. Kids, is that enough to feed 5,000 men plus women and children? That's right! It is not enough! But Jesus raised the fish and the loaves to heaven and prayed to His Father. Then he gave each disciple a basket, and they handed out enough bread to feed the 5,000 men plus women and children. When the disciples gathered up the left over pieces of bread it filled the twelve baskets. Kids, why was Jesus able to do this? He was a man like us in that he felt hunger and thirst, but He also God. Jesus was both **God and man** [Fill in God and Man]. After Jesus had fed the people, he told His disciples to get into the boat and to go to the other side of the sea. Then He went up into the mountain to pray.

I. The Storm

Getting to the other side of the lake should have been no problem for the disciples, since the disciples were fishermen. But a storm came, and the wind was blowing, the waves

were splashing, and the boat was probably rocking and filling up with water when all of a sudden they looked and saw what they thought was a ghost walking on the water. They were afraid! Kids, were the disciples really seeing a ghost? Who was it kids? Yes it was Jesus and He said, "Don't be afraid, it is I."

II. Faith

Peter wasn't sure that it was Christ, so he asked to come and walk on the water to Jesus. The Lord said, "Come." Peter left the boat and walked straight to Jesus, (just like I'm walking right here). Then Peter took his eyes off the Lord because of the storm, and he started to sink. Peter yelled out, "LORD SAVE ME !" [Fill in Lord Save Me!]. Immediately, Jesus reached out His hand and rescued Peter from the water. Then he said, "Oh you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind stopped. Then, the disciples worshipped Him saying, "You are certainly God's Son!"

III. Application

Just as that water would have taken Peter's life, so our sin promises to take our lives. The Bible says that, "The wages of sin is death . . .," not only physically, but spiritually as well. Jesus was the only one who could rescue Peter; the disciples could not help him. Only Jesus can save or rescue you and me from dying in our sins. We need to call on Him like Peter did, and say, "Lord save me!" Jesus can save us today because He died on the cross for our sin. He shed His blood to allow us to be forgiven. He rose again from the dead three days later so that you and I can now have everlasting life. We need to turn away from our own way and confess our sins, and then we need to believe in Jesus as our Rescuer and Savior. Just like Peter trusted Jesus to save him, will you call on Jesus now believing that He will save you from your sin?