

Luke 8:22-25 / 2-4s





You will need...

• No props



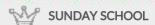
The story

Story	Actions
This term, all our stories are about how God cares for everyone. Today's story is a true story from the Bible about how Jesus cared for his friends when they were afraid.	
This story happens on the sea, when there is a storm, so I need you to help me make storm noises! Let's practice first. Can you go 'whooshwhoosh' like the waves on the sea?	Encourage adults and children to make wave noises (make sure they only make each noise a couple of times, or else that you have a signal for them to stop when you want to carry on with the next bit of the story!)
Can you go 'Whooo whooo' like the wind in a storm?	As before, with wind/storm noises.
Great! Now we're ready for the story.	
One day, Jesus was out with his friends, who were fishermen. "Let's go over to the other side of the lake" said Jesus. So they all got into their boat and set our across the lake.	Mime climbing into boat
Jesus was very tired, so he lay down in the boat and went to sleep	Mime sleeping

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Then a big storm came onto the lake. The waves went 'whoosh whoosh'. The wind blew 'whooo whoooo'. The storm got worse and worse. The waves were so huge that they nearly sank the boat. 'Whoosh whoosh'. The wind was so strong the boat was blown around all over the place. 'Whooo whooo'	Get children and adults to make the noises in the appropriate place. Repeat noises louder and louder as storm gets worse.
Jesus' friends were very frightened. "Jesus, wake up! There's a terrible storm. The boat will sink and we will all drown" they shouted.	
Jesus woke up. He saw the great big waves "Whoosh whoosh". He saw the storm and the wind "Whoo whoo".	Get children and adults to make the noises in the appropriate place.
But Jesus wasn't afraid. He stood up in the boat and said to the storm "STOP! BE QUIET!" At once, the storm stopped. There was no more wind and no more waves. Then he said to his friends "Why didn't you trust me?"	
They were amazed. They said to each other "Wow! Who is this man? Even the wind and the waves do what he tells them!"	
Jesus cared for his friends when they were afraid. He showed them how powerful he was by stopping the waves and the storm. He wanted them to know that they could trust him to care for them and keep them safe. And Jesus cares for each of us, too.	
	Sing – Our God is a great big God!

Top Tips

• Everything needs to be said with plenty of intonation, life, interest and volume to keep toddlers interested. It will sound odd!

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