STORY WORSHIP GROUPS ROTATIONS HOME

MADE TO CREATE

an activity that explores ideas through the process of drawing, building, designing, and problem-solving

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Peter Walks on Water Matthaew 14:22-33

TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE

Jesus invited people to follow Him.

KEY QUESTION

What makes Jesus worth following?

MEMORY VERSE

"Whoever believes in me . . . rivers of living water will flow from within them." John 7:38, NIV

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.



FOLLOW ME [HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED:

Bible Verse John 7:38 "whoever believes in me...
rivers of living water will flow from within
them." (The memory verse poster should be
displayed in the front of the room so all kids can
see.)

WHAT YOU DO:

- Invite a volunteer to read John 7:38 to the group.
- Recite John 7:38 a few times.
- Divide the group into two teams.
- Invite the kids to make up motions to the memory verse.
- When kids have their motions ready, take turns letting each group be the "leader group" and teach the other team their motions for the memory verse.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Following Jesus isn't always as easy as these sweet moves you've come up with, but it's always worth it. Just like our verse says, whoever believes in Jesus will have living water flow from them. The living water is God's Holy Spirit. He lives inside of us and will help us follow God.

"Jesus invited people to follow Him. And His Holy Spirit will help us! Jesus is kind, good and loving. Did you know that when we choose to follow Jesus we will live like Him too? I can't wait to hear how you decided to follow Jesus this week—whether you put others first by letting your sister pick what show to watch, serve your family by cleaning up after dinner without being asked, or love someone by including them in a game at recess. I know you will make big waves this week!"

SMALL GROUP

2-3

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MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that creates space for personal processing and application



PRAY AND DISMISS [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Prayer Card: Day 2 (Located in kids' bags)
- Pencils (Located in kids' bags)
- **Pins** (If you haven't already, pass out pins for day two and attach to lanyards)

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WHAT YOU DO:

- Make sure kids have their pencil, prayer card, and pin for day two.
- Point out the "wave" symbol on the prayer card and pin.
- Remind kids that Jesus invited people to follow Him.
- Say: "When we choose to follow Jesus—when we do what He did, and love like He loved—we can make waves and change the world around us!"
- Invite the kids to turn the prayer card over and write down one way they can follow Jesus this week.

WHAT YOU SAY:

"Dear God, thank You for wanting to use us in this big world. Thank You that **Jesus invited people to follow Him** so we know how to make the world a better place! Please show us the small and big waves You want us to catch so we can show others Your love and goodness. We love You and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."