Lesson: 4

The Nature of God
Jesus Devine Nature

Jesus Walks on Water

It had been a very long day. Jesus and the disciples had been out **teaching about God** and performing **miracles.** Many people followed them, and Jesus spent the rest of the day teaching and feeding five thousand people.



When the day was over, and the crowds were leaving, Jesus told the disciples to go find their boat and go back to the other side of the lake. When everyone had left Jesus went up to the mountainside by himself to **pray**.

You see, Jesus needs to pray too. He had a long tiring day, and performing miracles was very tiring. He knew He had to be close to **His heavenly Father** so He could have the strength to go on each day and resist all temptation that came His way.

When Jesus had finished praying, it was very early in the morning (probably around 3:00 or 4:00 am). He came to the shore where the disciples had left some time earlier. He could see the boat but it was quite far away, the wind had taken them faster across the lake than usual.

Jesus knew that He had to get to the other side of the lake and join the disciples. I'm sure He could've swam, flew, or jumped across the lake - this is Jesus we're talking about, He could've done anything He wanted. But He decided that He could teach the disciples something, so He started to **walk** on the water towards their boat.

I'm not sure if you've ever tried walking on water, but it's impossible. Keep in mind the water was very deep, and I bet some of the fish even noticed Jesus and stopped to watch the miracle.

So Jesus walked and walked and finally was close enough to the disciples that He could see each of them on the boat. All of a sudden one the disciples said, "What is that!" He pointed out into the water, and all the disciples turned around to see what was out there.

"I think its a **ghost,** what else could it be!" A few of the disciples said terrified. They had all come to one side of the boat to see the strange thing on the lake, and the boat suddenly got **tipsy,** and some of the disciples fell back into the boat to steady it and keep it from completely tipping over.

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