ORDINARY TIME

Proper 14 (19)

Jesus walks on Water

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Bible

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Matthew 14: 22-33

Watch the Story

Lectionary Readings

All the readings set for Proper 14 (19).

First reading: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalm: Psalm 105: 1-6, 16-22, 45b
Second reading: Romans 10:5-15
Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-33

Blocks

Minecraft Seed: `80216296`

Try to build the scene. Make the water appear stormy by adding waves and white foam. Maybe add the Breeze mobs.

Next, build a boat that looks like it is battling through the waves.

Add some figures in the boat.

Now add Jesus and Peter walking on the water. Peter should be heading away from the boat towards Jesus, and should be just starting to sink, while Jesus is coming towards the boat from the shore and has his hand outstretched to help Peter.

Make signs to show what they are saying. The disciples are screaming, Peter says “Help me!” and Jesus says “Why did you doubt?”

Bricks

Use Lego or junk modelling to build a boat and some figures – disciples for the boat as well as Peter and Jesus.

Put you boat on a blue cloth such as an apron or tea towel and jiggle it about to represent the storm. How might the disciples have felt? Get the Peter figure out of the boat and jiggle it some more. Maybe the question for us isn't "why did you doubt", but "how did you dare try?"

Prayer

Sometimes we might feel that what Jesus is asking us to do is too scary or too hard.

Pray for the courage to try to answer Jesus' call, for the faith to keep focussed on him, and the comfort of the knowledge that he is there to help whenever we wobble.

Be Inspired!

Check out these builds based on this week's reading!






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