

"Bible Beach Club: 4-Week Children's Ministry Curriculum"

Kids will have a blast learning about the beachside miracles of Jesus. These aren't just extraordinary events; they are signs from God that Jesus is the promised Savior who came to take away our sins and grant us eternal life. From calming seas to miraculous catches of fish, we'll discover how Jesus' miracles teach us about His divine

nature and His mission of salvation. So, put on your sunscreen, and let's explore the powerful works of Jesus by the shore!

Week 1: You Caught What?

- Bible Story: Luke 5:1-11 (The Miraculous Catch)
 Key Bible Verse: Luke 5:10
- Main Idea: Jesus' miraculous catch of fish wasn't just a cool trick; it was a sign of His divine power and His call for us to follow Him, proving He is our Savior.

Week 2: What Wind?

- Bible Story: Mark 4:35-41 (Jesus Calms the Storm) Key Bible Verse: Mark 4:39
- Main Idea: Jesus calms the storm, revealing His power over nature and our fears, affirming that He is the Lord who brings peace to our souls.

Week 3: Will He Float?

- Bible Story: Matthew 14:22-33 (Jesus Walks on Water) Key Bible Verse: Matthew 14:29
- Main Idea: Jesus walking on water demonstrates His command over physical laws, a vivid testament to His deity and His ability to help us overcome the seemingly impossible.

Week 4: What's for Breakfast?

- Bible Story: John 21:1-14 (Breakfast on the Beach) Key Bible Verse: John 21:12
- Main Idea: The risen Jesus cooking breakfast on the beach is a profound reminder that He has conquered death, ensuring our eternal life with Him.

Gospel Connection: Jesus' miracles help us believe He is the Savior and Lord.

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Introduction & Group Game "Beach Ball Bonanza"

TEACHER: Welcome to the first week of our exciting adventure at Bible Beach Club! We will have a ton of fun playing games, creating crafts, and diving into some amazing Bible stories that show us just how powerful and loving Jesus is. Each story is like a treasure map that helps us find the most important treasure of all-knowing Jesus! He's not just a character from the past; He's our Savior who's here to guide us every day. Let's get started with this fun beach ball game!

Game: Beach Ball Bonanza

Supplies: A beach ball and open space suitable for a group to sit in a circle.

Instructions:

- 1. Have all the children sit in a circle.
- Explain that this beach ball represents the miraculous power of Jesus that we will learn about today.
- 3. Introduce yourself by sharing your name and your favorite beach activity.
- 4. Then, gently toss the beach ball to another child in the circle.
- 5. When they catch the ball, they will say their name and favorite beach activity.
- 6. Continue until everyone has had a turn to catch the beach ball and share.
- 7. If time allows, do a second round where children state one thing they hope to learn about Jesus today.

Game Tips: Make sure each toss is gentle and easy to catch. Encourage the children to listen carefully to each other. If the group is large, consider using two beach balls to keep the game moving quickly.

Object Lesson "Fishing for the Unexpected"

Supplies Needed:

☐ A large clear bowl or container filled with water
☐ Several small magnetic fish or any small toy fish
$\hfill\square$ A toy fishing rod with a magnet attached to the line
$\hfill\square$ Blue food coloring (optional, to make the water look more like the sea)
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TEACHER: Hello, young fishers! Today, we're going to see something really special that helps us understand just how surprising and powerful Jesus is. Can everyone see this bowl of water? Imagine this is the Sea of Galilee, where our story takes place.

[Add a few drops of blue food coloring to the water and stir gently.]

Just like this sea looks pretty ordinary right now, the sea in our story seemed ordinary to the fishermen who were fishing there. They had been fishing all night and hadn't caught anything. Now, let's pretend these little fish in my bucket are the fish in the sea.

[Place the fish in the water without much emphasis.]

The fishermen, like Peter, were ready to give up. But then, someone extraordinary asked them to try again. That person was Jesus. He told them to put their nets on the other side of the boat. Now, let's see what happens when we follow Jesus' instructions, just like the fishermen did.

[Use the fishing rod to start "catching" the fish.]

Wow, look at that! When we listen to Jesus, just like the fishermen did, we can find blessings and surprises we didn't expect. Before, there were no fish being caught, but look how many we're catching now!

[Continue to catch fish as you speak.]

This teaches us something amazing about Jesus. He didn't just help them catch fish—He showed them He was someone who could do miracles, someone worth following. He made the impossible possible. And just like He called Peter and his friends to follow Him and become fishers of people, He calls us to follow Him too.

Today's lesson from the miraculous catch of fish isn't just a cool Bible story; it's a reminder that when Jesus is with us, we should expect the unexpected. He has the power to change our everyday into something extraordinary, and He invites us to be a part of His great plan.

Beach Ball Sharing Method

(Hold up the beach ball from the introduction game.)

TEACHER: Since our theme is called Bible Beach Club, let's get some more use out of this beach ball. We will use this beach ball to help us during our lesson or discussion time. Here's how it will work:



- I'll Start: I will hold the beach ball when I ask you a question. That's your cue to listen carefully.
- 2. Your Turn to Speak: When you're ready to answer, I'll gently toss the beach ball to you. If you have the beach ball, it's your turn to talk. Everyone else's job is to listen.
- 3. Pass It On: After you share your thoughts, you can choose a friend to pass the beach ball to, giving them a chance to speak.
- 4. Back to Me: Once we're done discussing, or it's time for a new question, please pass the beach ball back to me. That helps us all know to refocus our attention up front.

This way, we'll all know whose turn it is to talk, and we can ensure everyone who wants to share gets a chance. Plus, it'll help us listen to each other better. Let's try to use the beach ball to make our discussion time fun and respectful!

Bible Story "The Miraculous Catch"

TEACHER: Let's get into this fantastic story about a time when Jesus did something

incredibly surprising and powerful. It's about fishing, not just any fishing—it's about

fishing with Jesus!

READ: Luke 5:1-3

Jesus is standing by the Sea of Galilee, where a crowd has gathered around Him to

hear God's word. Nearby, there are fishermen cleaning their nets after a night of

catching nothing. Imagine spending all night working and having nothing to show

for it. How do you think the fishermen felt?

Let's pause here. Can anyone tell me what it feels like to work hard at something

and not succeed? How do you think you'd feel if you were one of those fishermen?

READ: Luke 5:4-7

Jesus tells Simon Peter to take the boat out again and let down the nets. Simon is

tired and frustrated, but he agrees. When they do, they catch so many fish that their

nets break!

Wow, what a turn of events! Why do you think Simon decided to listen to Jesus, even

though he was tired and hadn't caught any fish all night? What does this tell us

about trusting Jesus?

READ: Luke 5:8-11

Seeing this miracle, Simon Peter is amazed and realizes that Jesus is no ordinary

man. He falls to his knees and says he is too sinful to be near Jesus. But Jesus has a

special plan for Simon and his friends. He tells them, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." From that day on, they leave everything behind to follow Jesus.

Now, think about this: Jesus didn't just give them fish; He gave them a whole new purpose. What does it mean to "fish for people"?

GOSPEL CONNECTION: This story isn't just a cool trick by Jesus to impress His friends. It's a sign of who He is—the Son of God with power over all creation and a call to follow Him not because of what we do, but because of who He is. He calls us to trust Him and His way of saving us, not our own efforts or good behavior. When we put our faith in Jesus, we're not just believing in His power to do miracles. We're trusting Him to change our lives and give us a new purpose—just like He did for Simon Peter.

What are some ways we can show our trust in Jesus this week? How can we start "fishing for people" in our own lives?

Discussion Questions & Prayer

LEADER: Great job listening to today's Bible story, everyone! I'm really proud of how well you paid attention. Now, we're going to talk a bit more about what we learned and how it can help us follow Jesus every day.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What surprised you about the story of the miraculous catch of fish?
- 2. Why do you think it was important for Simon and his friends to leave everything and follow Jesus?
- 3. How can we trust Jesus when asked to do something that seems hard or impossible?

Prayer Requests: Now, does anyone have anything special they'd like to pray about today? It could be a worry, a thank you, or a prayer for a friend or family member.

Dear God, thank you for bringing us together today to learn about your power and love through Jesus. Thank you for the fish in the story, but even more, thank you for calling us to follow You. Please help us to trust You more, even when things seem difficult. Bless everyone here with courage and joy as they follow You this week. We pray for the special requests shared today. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Craft Activity "Miraculous Fish Net"

Supplies Needed:

- ☐ Blue construction paper (to represent water)
- ☐ White paper or cardstock
- ☐ Yarn or string (preferably blue or green for the sea)
- □ Scissors
- ☐ Glue sticks
- ☐ Markers or crayons
- ☐ Hole punch (optional)



Step-by-Step Directions:

- Prepare the Water Background: Take a piece of blue construction paper as the base of your craft. This represents the sea.
- 2. Make the Fish: On white paper, draw several small fish shapes. You can make them as simple or as detailed as you like. Color the fish using markers or crayons. Get creative with colors and patterns! Cut out the fish shapes.
- 3. Create the Net: Cut several lengths of yarn or string about twice the width of your blue paper. Lay the strings across the blue paper in a crisscross pattern to resemble a fishing net. Arrange them so they look like they're draped and slightly overlapping. Glue the points where the strings cross each other to

- secure the net onto the paper. Make sure the outer ends of the strings are glued down at the edges of the paper.
- 4. Add the Fish to the Net: Glue your colored fish onto the net, positioning some as if they are caught in the net. If you have a hole punch, you can punch holes near the mouths of the fish and tie them to the net with short pieces of yarn for a 3D effect.
- 5. Final Touches: Use markers or crayons to add details like waves or bubbles around the net, enhancing the underwater theme.

LEADER: Congratulations! You've created your own "Miraculous Fish Net" craft. This craft will help you remember that, just like the net was filled with fish, Jesus can fill our lives with many blessings when we listen to Him and follow His ways. Hang your fish net in your room as a fun reminder of today's lesson!

Luke 5:1-11 (The Miraculous Catch)



Word Search Puzzle

BOAT - CATCH - DISCIPLE - FAITH - FISH - FOLLOW - JESUS

MIRACLE - NET - OBEY - SEA - TRUST - WATER

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Word Search Answers

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Week 1 - Note for Parents

Today in our lesson, your child explored the miraculous catch of fish, a powerful demonstration of Jesus' authority and His invitation to follow Him. This story is part of our "Bible Beach Club" curriculum, which focuses on the beachside miracles of Jesus to illustrate His divine power and role as our Savior.

Through this lesson, your child learned about the importance of trusting in Jesus' words and the blessings that come from obedience to His call. We discussed how Jesus can do more than we can imagine when we follow Him—just as He filled the fishermen's nets beyond expectation.

Congratulations on investing in your child's spiritual development by joining us today. Your commitment helps them grow in their personal relationship with Jesus and understand how His teachings are relevant in their lives.