



Future-proofing our children

Sunday School Class 3

Lesson Title	The storm on the lake
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A Parent's Guide
Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to “**The storm on the lake**” Sunday School 3 lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1.	Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp: https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS
2.	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bible• The PDF lesson that is already prepared• Child’s workbook and pencils, crayons, etc.• The Video Clip which is an additional optional resource tool <p>Note:</p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2. Please keep the lesson as concise as possible, bearing in mind the retention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children – you know your child best. <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lessons are class specific (i.e. SS, RI or Confirmation).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your SS teacher if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3.	Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.



Present a Sunday School Lesson at Home

How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
4.	Create a pleasant (disturbance free) learning environment where you and the children are at the same level Example: Sit on the mat or at a table
5.	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6.	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7.	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8.	Present the lesson to your child by telling the story. You can even read the story if you like.
9.	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning/purpose of the lesson.
10.	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook.
11.	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Sunday School 3 family.
2. Discuss with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct your own research for additional information.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	The storm on the lake
Text	Mark 4: 35-41 and Matthew 8: 23-27
Lesson Objective	The children recognize that Jesus is the Son of God. He has power over heaven and earth and when He is with us, we need not be afraid.

Lesson Summary:

- Wherever Jesus went, many people flocked to listen to His teachings. People also came to Jesus to be healed.
- One day, after a busy day of teaching, Jesus said to His disciples, "Let's go over to the other side of Lake Galilee."
- So, they left the crowd, got into the boat in which Jesus was already sitting, and set off.
- The weather was calm when they set off and Jesus was very tired. He then laid down to sleep with His head on a pillow in the back of the boat.
- Suddenly, a strong wind blew up, and big waves began to spill over into the boat. Water flooded into the boat faster than they could bail it out. The boat was swamped and it wouldn't be long before they would sink.
- Jesus was still fast asleep in the back of the boat. The disciples shook Him awake and said, "Teacher, don't you care that we are about to die?" Jesus hears the howling wind and calmly asked, "Why are you so afraid?"
- Jesus stood up in the violently rocking boat and commanded the wind and the waves, "Peace, be still!" The wind died down and it was completely calm. Jesus then asked His disciples, "Why are you so afraid? How is it that you still have no faith?"
- The disciples were terribly afraid and amazed at the power of Jesus, and said to one another, "Who is this Man? Even the wind and the waves obey Him!"



What does this lesson mean for us today?

- Jesus is the Son of God and for Him **ALL** things are possible. He has the power over heaven and earth.
- When we are in difficult situations, the storms of life, we don't need to be afraid, because Jesus is with us and He will help us. He will calm our storms in life.
- We must always have faith and trust in God, even in difficult times.

Remember, faith is not about asking God to stop the storm, faith is about trusting God to help you through the storm. Just believe in God!

Some questions that we can ask:

1. Why were the disciples afraid during the storm?

Answer: Water flooded the boat and they thought they were about to die, they had no faith

2. What was Jesus doing during the storm?

Answer: He was sleeping

3. What did the disciples do after Jesus calmed the storm?

Answer: They were afraid and amazed at Jesus' power and wondered who He was

A Prayer to pray before the lesson:

*Dear God, thank you for this day
May we feel your presence
Bless the lesson we will have
May we sow good seed by the goodness of
our lives and
May we only allow good to grow in our
Hearts.
Send Jesus to fetch us
And may we be ready to meet Him
In Jesus name we pray this
Amen*

A Prayer to pray after the lesson:

*Dear heavenly Father, thank you that
you have protected us today and that no
accident happened while we were
playing. Let us all have a good night's
sleep and another beautiful day
tomorrow. Please help me through my
storms and may I always trust in You for
help, because you can do all things. Be
with Mommy and Daddy at all times.
Bless the Chief Apostle, the Apostles
and all the ministers and protect them on
their travels. Please help all your children
especially the sick ones. Come soon and
take us all home. In Jesus' name. Amen.*