



KEY QUESTION

Who is amazing?

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus is amazing.

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

BIBLE STORY FOCUS

Calming the Storm Matthew 8:23-27

MEMORY VERSE

"Everyone who heard Him was amazed. Luke 2:47, NIV

ACTIVITY: BE THE STORM

What You Need:

Crepe paper streamers, tissue paper, or a cloud cut out of computer paper with scissors

What You Do:

Encourage your child to wave their streamers slow, then faster and faster to create a storm. When you say stop, your child should stop. Repeat as long as desired.

Say, "In our story, we heard about a big storm. Let's be that storm with these streamers. Let's start by waving our streamers slowly. It just started to rain. (*Pause.*) Nice. The rain is picking up. Wave them a little faster. (*Pause.*) Now, it's really raining. Wave them as fast as you can. (*Pause.*) Stop! Freeze your streamers. (*Pause.*) Good job! Let's do it again." (*Repeat as long as desired.*)

"In today's story, Jesus and the disciples were in a boat on the water. It started raining and storming then it got louder and stronger. It scared the disciples. They woke Jesus up and asked Him to help. Jesus stood up and told the storm to stop. And, it did! The disciples were amazed that Jesus had the power to stop a storm. **Who is amazing? Jesus is amazing!**

PRAYER

"Dear God, thank You for sending Jesus to help us when we're afraid. Help [child's name] remember that Jesus is with [him/her] when [he/she] is afraid. Jesus is amazing, because He has the power to do anything! You are the best, God, and we love You very much. In Jesus' name, amen."