

SMALL TALK

MEMORY VERSE

"With God, all things are possible." Matthew 19:26, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Is anything too hard for Jesus?

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus Wants to Be My Friend Forever

BOTTOM LINE

Jesus can do anything.

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WEEK 1 | LUKE 5:1-11

Jesus gets in the boat with Peter and miraculously causes the nets to fill with fish.

WEEK 2 | MARK 6:30-44

Jesus performs a miracle and feeds over 5,000 people with five loaves of bread and two fish.

WEEK 3 | MARK 6:45-51

Jesus does the impossible and walks on water.

WEEK 4 | *MATTHEW 8:23-27*

Jesus shows the disciples that He has power over everything by calming a raging storm.













PLAY TIME: Pull out some cards and play a game of "Go Fish." When your game is over, talk about how it was Peter's job to go fish. Jesus helped Peter when he couldn't catch any fish. Jesus can do anything!



CAR TIME: Your child is learning that nothing is too hard for Jesus. Jesus can do anything! Each time you get in the car, play a game of "I can't, but Jesus can!" Ask questions like, "Can you make that tree grow?"

Teach your child to respond with, "I cant, but Jesus can!" Other questions could be, "Can you make the sun come out? Can you make the stars twinkle? Can you make it rain?" Once your child gets the hang of it, let him ask you questions. Every car ride will be a great reminder that Jesus can do anything!



BATH TIME: Gather some small dolls or action figures. Pick them up and make them walk on top of the bath water. Let go of them and watch them fall over or even sink to the

bottom. Talk about how people can't walk on water either. They fall over and sink, just like the toys! But not Jesus! He can walk on water because Jesus can do anything!



PARENT TIME:

We want our children to know that Jesus wants to be their friend forever. Isn't that the goal? That they know Jesus? If that is the

goal, who in your child's life is showing him Jesus? Is that you? Is it your spouse? Are you the only ones?

The Bible tells us that "church" is a community. It is a group of people not just a single individual. So, wouldn't it make sense that we aren't supposed to be the only ones talking about Jesus with our kids? Our little people need to see Jesus and the adults surrounding them.

They need Small Group Leaders, grandparents, teachers and coaches who can teach them about Jesus when you are not around. Because here is the truth, you won't always be around. As your little one grows, he will spend more and more time without you. Be sure you have surrounded him with adults who love Jesus as much as you do.

To learn more about widening the circle, listen to Parent Link Live at OrangeParents.org



CUDDLE TIME:

Cuddle up with your child and pray. "Dear God, no one is more powerful thar You. You made everything

and You have power over everything. Help us remember we don't ever have to be afraid of things like rain and thunder because You are in control. We ove You, God. In Jesus name, amen."



