Big Picture Question

Why did Jesus perform miracles? *Give your child time to think and answer.* **Jesus performed miracles to glorify God, to show He is the Son of God, and to care for people.**

Watch The Bible Story

Resume the online video, you will be prompted again where to stop.

Unpack The Story

Let's turn to Matthew 14:29-31. *Parents, if you have younger children, turn to this passage yourself and read it to your kids.* Peter wanted to walk on the water, too. Jesus commanded Peter to come out of the boat. Peter walked on water, but he began to sink when he saw how strong the wind was. **Parents, ask your kids these questions, and let them tell you what they think. Why were Jesus' disciples afraid when they saw Jesus walking on water?** *Lead your child to recall that the disciples first thought Jesus was a ghost. They knew they were seeing something no ordinary person could do. Jesus again showed His power over creation as the Son of God.* **How can we have courage in scary situations?** *Remind your child of Jesus' words to His disciples: "Have courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." Assure kids that they are not alone. Jesus is with them through the Holy Spirit. Encourage your children to keep their eyes on Jesus. We can rely on Him for strength and courage when we need it.* **How can we encourage others not to give up during difficult times?** *Help your child see Jesus' power and strength even when we are weak. Point out that when Jesus got into the boat, the wind stopped. Assure your child that all believers can endure in scary times with the hope that one day Jesus will return and bring ultimate peace, making every wrong thing right. We can pray for others and remind them of the truth about Jesus.*

Watch Questions From Kids

Prayer Focus

Lastly, take some time to pray with and over your children. Take time to listen to things they would like to pray about. *Listen to them as God listens to you.* Then pray over your children.