

Jesus Walks on the Water

(Based on Matthew 14:22-33, Mark 6:45-51)

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One day after healing sick people all day, Jesus made his disciples get into a boat. "You guys cross over the sea ahead of me and I'll join you later," said Jesus.



While they traveled in the boat,
Jesus sent all the crowds away.



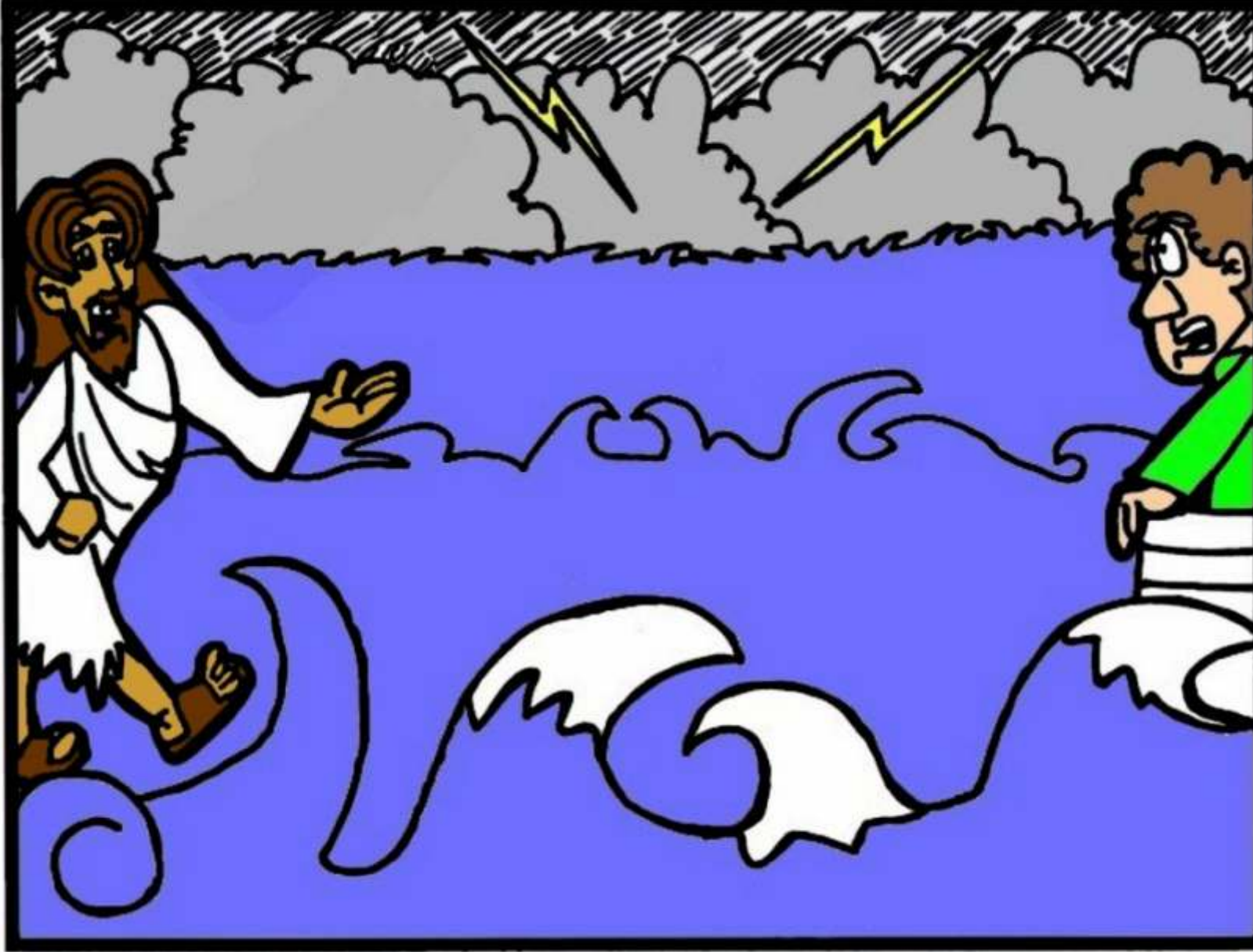
Then he climbed up on a mountain, by himself and he prayed.



In the evening Jesus was still there alone, but his disciples were having a terrible time out in the middle of the sea. The wind was pushing against them and the boat was tossing back and forth in the waves.



At about 4:00 o'clock in the morning, Jesus came, walking on the water. "It's a ghost!" screamed the disciples. "It's me. Don't be afraid," answered Jesus.



"Lord," said Peter. "If it's really you, then command me to come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come."



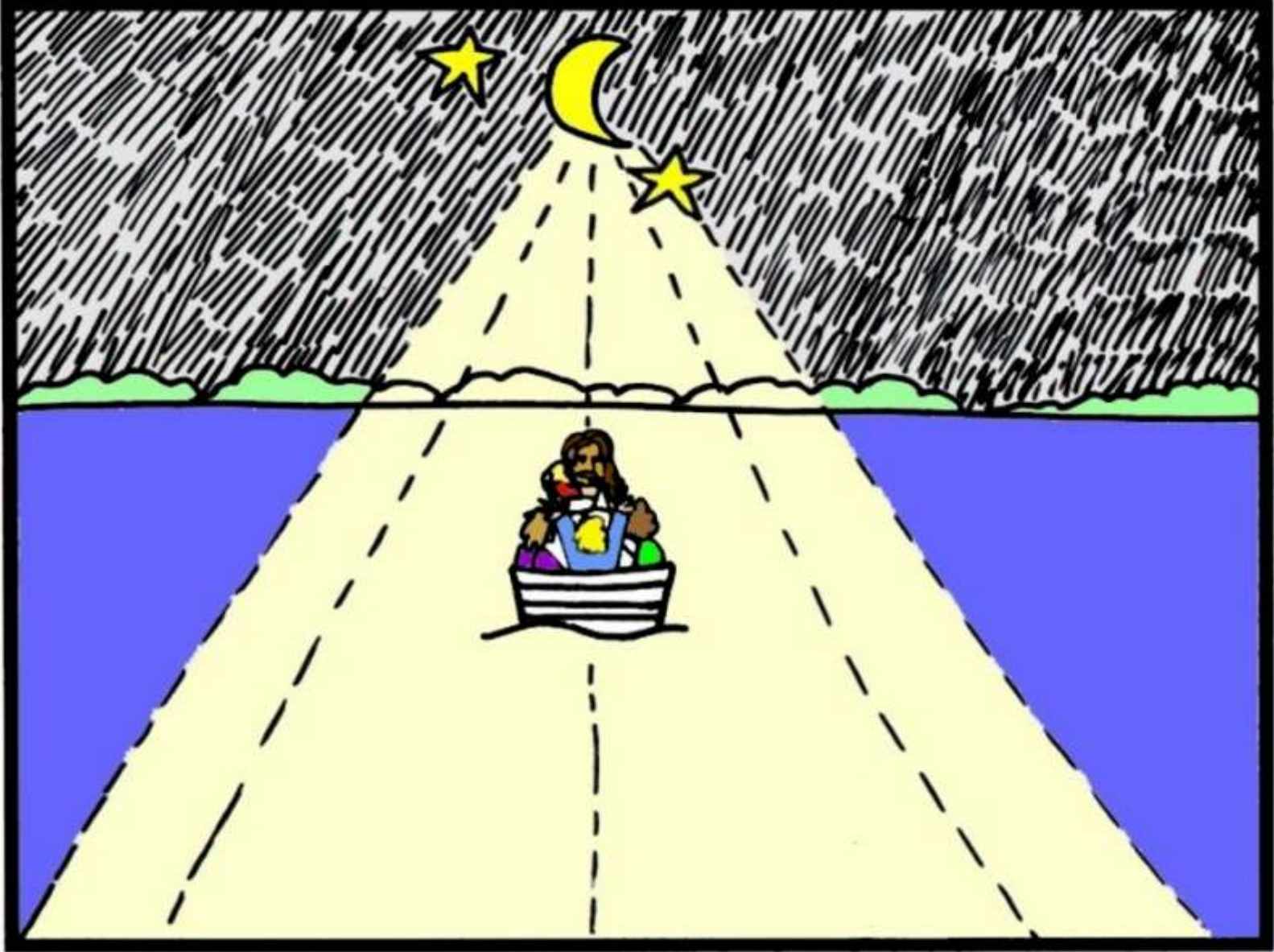
Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water to go to Jesus.



But when Peter saw that the wind was ferocious, he was afraid, and he began to sink.



"Lord, save me!" cried Peter. Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter. "O, you of little faith. Why did you doubt?"



When they got into the boat the wind stopped blowing. "You really are the Son of God," gasped all the disciples and they worshipped Jesus.



Lord, help me to keep my eyes on you and not on problems, then I won't be afraid.