The Stilling Of The Storm (2)

Key words

Tired: Yawn. Sleep: Snore. Boat: Ahoy there. Waves: Crash. Wind: Blow.

Frightened: HELP!! Calm: Shush....

Jesus was tired (Yawn). He'd had a long and busy day talking to people, helping people and making sick people well again. He was so tired (Yawn) all he wanted to do was to go to sleep (snore).

"Let's go on a boat (ahoy there) trip," said one of Jesus friends, "then you can get some sleep (snore)."

So they all climbed into a boat (ahoy there) and set sail across the lake. Jesus was so tired (yawn) that in no time at all he was fast asleep (snore) on a cushion at one end of the boat (ahoy there)!

Jesus friends watched the sky start to get dark. "it will soon be night," they thought, when suddenly they realised that it was dark because of a great thick storm-cloud.

Suddenly the wind (blow) started to blow, and the more the wind (blow) blew, the bigger the waves (crash) became. The waves (crash) got bigger and bigger, and the wind (blow) blew harder and harder. The little boat (ahoy there) was tossed about on the water, and as the great waves (crash) crashed over the top of the boat (ahoy there) it started to fill up with water.

Jesus friends were frightened (help!, very frightened (help!). "We are going to drown!" they shouted as they tried to use everything, bowls, hats, even shoes, to bail the water out of the boat (ahoy there). It was very frightening (help!).

But all the time, Jesus was sleeping (snore), on his cushion at the end of the boat (ahoy there).

The wind (blow) kept blowing and the waves (crash) kept crashing, but Jesus kept sleeping (snore).

One of Jesus friends rushed over to Jesus and shook him.

"Jesus! Jesus!" he said. "Wake up! wake up! There's a terrible storm! The boat (ahoy there) is going to sink! We're all going to drown and we're frightened (help!).

Jesus stood up and looked around at his friends frightened (help) faces. Then he held up his hand and said to the wind (blow): "Quiet!" and to the waves (crash): "Be still!" Suddenly everything was calm (shush). There was no wind (blow) and no waves (crash)and the boat (ahoy there) was bobbing gently on the calm (shush) water.

"There you are," said Jesus. "Why didn't you ask me earlier?"

Jesus friends were amazed. "Who is this man that even the wind (blow) and the waves (crash) do what he says?"

They put up the sails, and on the calm (shush) water, they sailed their boat (ahoy there) to the other side of the lake.

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