

The Search Session 2: **Marvel at the Master**

Zoom Meet Up Edition For Older Kids

When you can't meet together physically

Preparation:

- Download the Zoom app on your Desktop. Practice a zoom call with another adult to make sure you understand how it works.
- You will need to put any PowerPoint images on to a Powerpoint and then have it ready to show whilst you load Zoom.
- Don't forget that as the host you can share your screen with your kids for when you need to share the PowerPoint image or a song. You can learn how to screen share [here](#).
- For guidelines on how to use Zoom appropriately check out [this article](#).

BIG IDEA: JESUS IS AMAZING!

SONG AND BIBLE STORY VIDEO IDEAS available on our dedicated [Pinterest Board](#).

GAME IDEAS:

The Search is On! ([regular/widescreen](#)) (another scavenger hunt with a twist) Children must search around the house for things of different colors that you ask for. The person that brings back the biggest thing (or most creative depending on how you want to give points away) of that color is the winner.

Where's the minion? One person pretends they are a minion and 'hides' anywhere in the Universe - of course, this is all in their mind - they must simply choose a place to think of. The rest of the players must take it in turns to guess where they are hidden in the Universe.

BIG VERSE: "I love all who love me. Those who search will surely find me." Proverbs 8:17 (NLT)

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SET the Scene:

Read [Matthew 8:23-27](#).

REVIEW QUESTIONS:

1. Who followed Jesus into the boat? (disciples)
2. What happened next? (big storm and waves coming into boat)
3. What was Jesus doing? (sleeping)
4. Why did the disciples wake Jesus? (they were scared)
5. What did they ask him to do? (save us, we're going to drown!)
6. Who did he say they were? (You of little faith)
7. What did he do next? (Calmed the storm)
8. How did the men react? (amazed)
9. What did they ask? (what kind of man is this, that even the wind and the waves obey him)

SPOT the Simple Meaning:

1) You can say WOW now!

Egg in a bottle experiment. You will need a hardboiled peeled egg, a glass bottle and some matches. Take a boiled and peeled egg and put it over a bottle. Then light four matches or a piece of paper. Drop the matches or paper into the glass bottle, followed straight away by the egg. Watch as the egg slowly gets sucked into the glass bottle.

If you don't have the time or equipment to do this yourself, there are lots of examples on YouTube: 'egg in the bottle' trick that you can use. We have also linked one on the Pinterest Board for you.

Say: Wow! Did you see how Jesus calmed that storm! Jesus is amazing! He was able to calm the storm with just His words. Just stop and think about that. [Pause] He simply said, 'Quiet! Be still!' and they stopped! That's pretty powerful! That's someone that I want to follow! How about you?

I'm going to show you something that is fun and might seem impossible. Do you think I can get this egg into this bottle without crushing it? [wait for response]

You might think this is impossible, but watch what I do to make it possible! [light matches and put them in the bottle. Then put the egg on to the top of the bottle. Watch as it gets sucked in.] That was pretty cool wasn't it! That was just a fun experiment to show that sometimes we think things are impossible.

Did you know that with God ALL things are possible? In Matthew 19:26 Jesus tells the disciples when they asked how people can be saved; "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Now, imagine what the disciples thought when Jesus was able to calm a scary storm.

The disciples thought they were going to die and Jesus the Master was able to calm the storm and show His power simply through His words. How? Because Jesus is God - and He can do anything! Jesus tells us in John 10:30 that He and the Father are one and John 1 reminds us that 'the Word' (the 'Word' means Jesus) was with God and was God.

God is able to do anything and Jesus is God. That makes Him the greatest Master and someone that is amazing to follow! He still does miracles around the world today. He is able to do the miraculous in our lives when we ask and trust in Him. He promises that no matter what, whether we are given a miracle or not, He will always be with us. He is close to us (Jeremiah 23:23). He can be with us wherever we are because He is God and can be with every single person around the world all at once (Psalm 139:7-10).

You can say wow now!

SEARCH the Scriptures:

Popcorn Scripture: Send the Bible verse printable (available on the main lesson page) digitally or share on your screen. A child reads one of the Bible verses and then shouts another child's name. They must then read the next Bible verse (unless they choose not to participate). After all the Bible verses have been read, discuss the questions below:

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What would someone need to do to amaze you?
2. What do you find amazing about Jesus?
3. Why is Jesus able to amaze people? Discuss some of the different ways from the verses.
4. In what ways are you hoping Jesus will amaze you or others?
5. Are there any miracles you are waiting to see?

SENSE How You Feel:

Challenge your kids to try and do one of the activities below this week. Get everyone to text, WhatsApp or uploading onto a site or page.

Why did you feel so afraid?

What was it like to see Jesus calm the storm?

For minion craft ideas go to our [Pinterest Board](#).

1. **Fill in/Color** the activity sheets for 5-7s and 8-11s (see main lesson)
2. **Build:** a boat at sea scene with Lego or building blocks.
3. **Sensory:** Have a water station with some toy boats. You will probably need someone to attend to the area so the children don't get water everywhere!
4. **Mould:** a boat with the disciples inside using playdough or clay.
5. **Make:** the Calming of the Storm mini book by printing the mini book craft from the main lesson.

SEEK God:

Popcorn Prayers. Invite the children to use the same popcorn style game as they did reading scripture, but this time praying and thanking God for things they are wowed about Him! So a child will pray and say 'Thank You God that I am wowed (or amazed) by your _____' and then they will pass it on to another child to have a go. This continues until everyone that wants to join in has had a go.