REFERENCES: JOHN 21:1-13; THE DESIRE OF AGES, PP. 809-817.

Breakfast by the Sea

Memory Verse:

"Be kind . . . to one another." EPHESIANS 4:32, NIV.

The Message:

We are kind to our friends.

Parents:

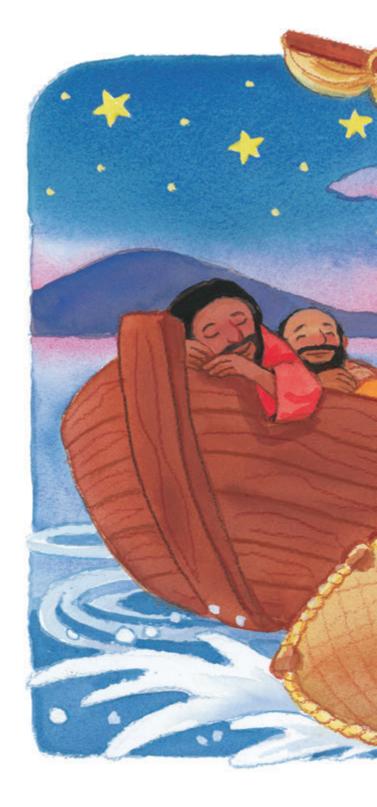
By the end of the month you can help your child **Know** that Jesus showed love to His friends. **Feel** a desire to show love to their friends. **Respond** by helping a friend.



Kyla has a net. Kyla can catch butterflies in the net. The Bible tells a story about a big net. Bible friends used a net to catch fish.

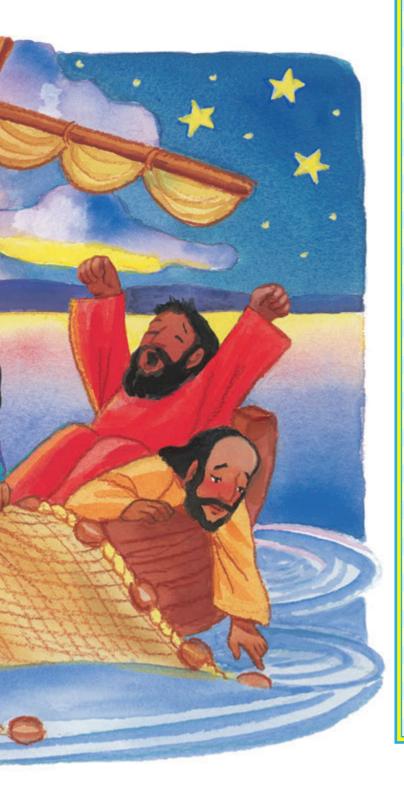
eter and his friends are in a boat. (Point to Peter, wearing yellow and red stripes, and his friends. Pretend you and your child are in a boat.)
What is Peter doing? Peter and his friends are fishing with a net. (Point to the net. Pretend to fish with a net.) They have been fishing all night.





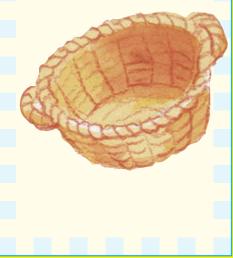






ee the sun coming up. (Point to the sun, then to Peter.)
See Peter yawn. The night is over. It is time to stop fishing, but Peter has no fish. (Shake your head.)

No fish for Peter. No fish for his friends. Peter is tired. (*Yawn and rub eyes*.) Peter is hungry. (*Rub tummy*.) Poor Peter!



isten! Someone is calling Peter. (Pretend to shout in a faint voice.) "Peter!"

"See? Someone is on the beach," says Peter's friend. (*Point* to Jesus.)

"Who is it?" Peter asks.

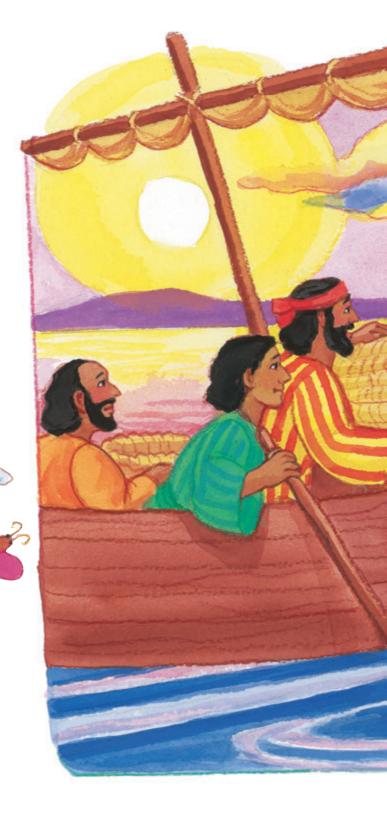
"I don't know," his friends say.

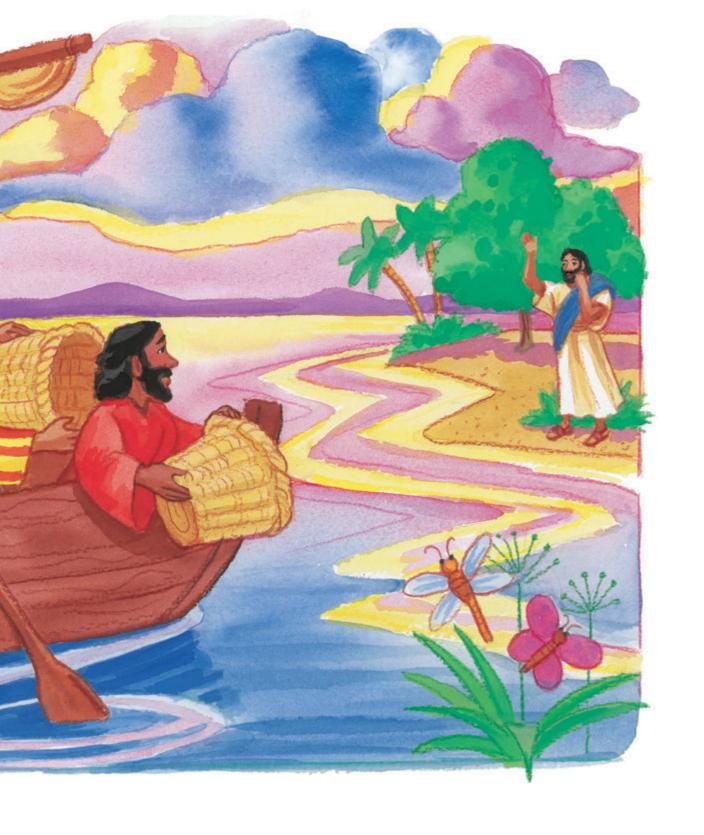
(Call again.) "Peter!

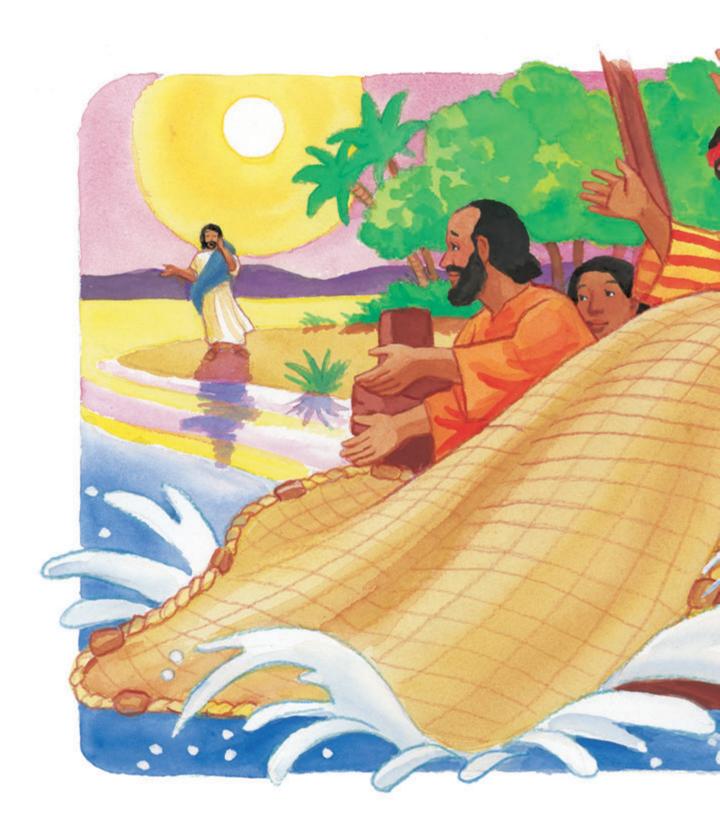
Did you catch any fish?"

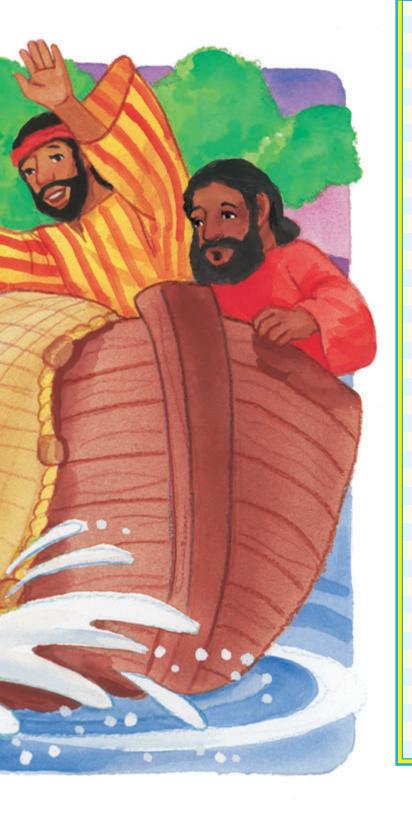
Has

Peter caught any fish? (Pause for child to respond.) Do you see any fish? No. No fish. (Shake your head.) No. No fish.











isten! The Man calls again.

"Throw the net again!"

"It is too late for fishing," the fishermen say. "See the sun?

(Point to the sun.) It is daytime."

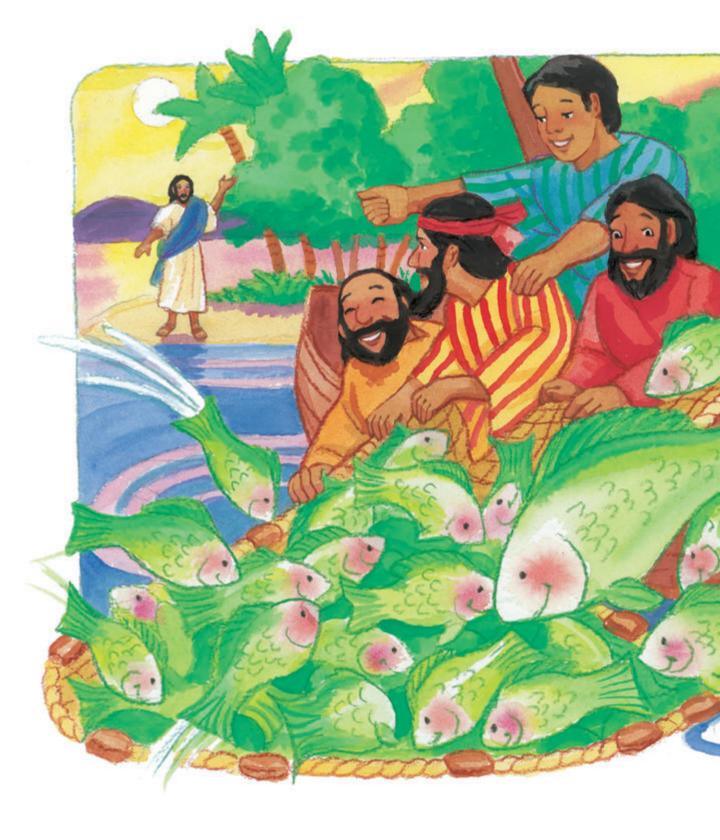
"Throw the net out on the other side," the voice calls. So they t-h-r-o-w their net on the other side of the boat. (Pretend to throw your net on the other side.)

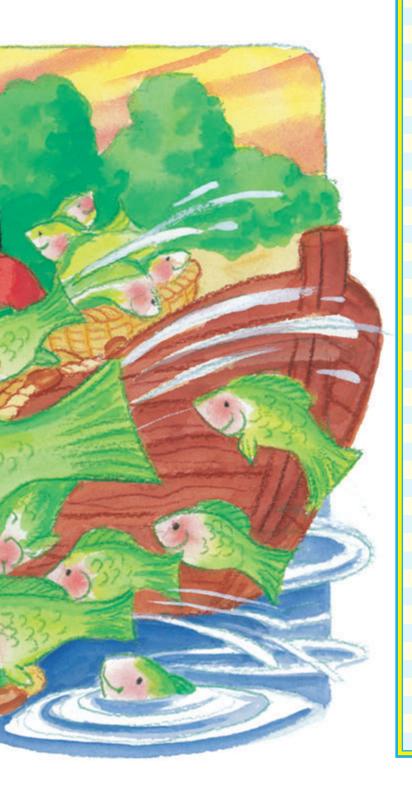
own, down, down the net goes. Down under the water. Down under the boat. What do you see down there? (Point under the boat.) Fish. Lots of fish. Fish swimming in the water. (Hold one hand up, fingers together, thumb up; keeping thumb still, wiggle rest of hand like a fish skimming *the water.)*











he net feels heavy," Peter says. Peter pulls on the net. (Pretend to haul in the net.)

"The net is full of fish!" Peter's friends shout.

See the big fish. (Point to a big fish.)
See the small fish. (Point to a small fish.)
Lots and lots of fish.

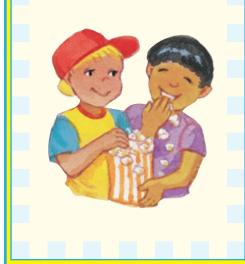
"Look! That Man is Jesus!" Peter's friend, John, says. (*Point to Jesus*.) "Jesus did this!"



esus!" Peter shouts. He jumps out of the boat. He hurries to Jesus.

See the fire on the beach. See the food. Jesus has made breakfast for His friends. Thank You, Jesus.

Our Bible says "Be kind . . . to one another" (Ephesians 4:32, NIV).







Visit a place where you might see fish. Or look for pictures of fish in books or magazines.

Invite a friend over to play and practice sharing. Play a game that involves taking turns.

Create an underwater picture by drawing and coloring several fish on white paper with crayons. Paint over the fish with diluted blue watercolor paint.

tudy these suggestions for something to do each day. Select those that are appropriate for your child's developmental stage and repeat them often.

Poke a few tiny holes in a small piece of black plastic or paper. Secure it around the end of a flashlight. Shine it on the ceiling in a dark room to simulate stars.

Read the Bible story together. Sing the memory verse song. (See page 24.)



Let your child help you prepare breakfast. What is your child's favorite breakfast food? Serve it today. Play at fishing in the bathtub. Use a strainer or colander to catch plastic fish or any other small toy. Help your child prepare and serve another family member breakfast in bed. Name a way to be kind to a friend.
Then do it.

Play in the sand at a park, beach, or in a sandbox. Talk about how Jesus and His friends sat on the beach and ate breakfast together. Make a boat out of blocks. Have family worship in the boat.

Act out the Bible story

with your family.

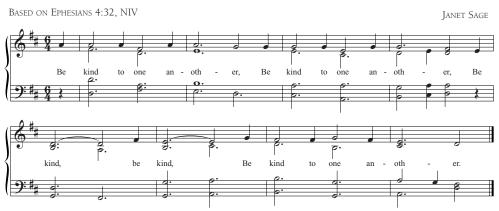
Draw a large outline of a fish on paper. Cut two identical shapes. Staple the edges together leaving a part of the edges open. Stuff with crumpled paper.

Make muffins or other simple foods and take them to a neighbor.

Make an edible boat. Slice a piece of fruit lengthwise or cut an orange in wedges. Make a mast out of celery and a cracker.

Take a walk after dark. Talk about what it was like to fish at night.

Be Kind to One Another



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Taking Turns

You take your turn.

(Point to another person.)

(Point to self.)

Now it's time to play.

(Twirl around.)

You take your turn.

(Point to another person.)

I'll take my turn.

(Point to self.)

(Point to self.)

That is Jesus' way.

(Point upward.)

—DeeAnn Bragaw

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