



# Adventures in Faith

## Peter meets the Risen Jesus

Hi families,

Welcome to our 'Adventures in Faith' resource - Peter meets the Risen Jesus.

This links to our Adventures in Faith - Peter meets the Risen Jesus clip on the Youtube channel so do head on down there and check it out.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe3BIPwldoXgGCKl7Fi41bw>

I'd love to hear your feedback, stories and see anything that the children have made.

Sharon



### Connection

How would you feel if Jesus came to breakfast? What might you talk to Him about? In the story today Jesus comes to have breakfast with His friend after He had risen from the dead.

### Tell the story

The story is taken from John chapter 21 however to get the full sense of the story it needs to be read in conjunction with the story of Peter's denial in Luke 22: 54-62. So do find these passages in your Bible or Bible story book.

### Explore the story

In Luke chapter 22 we see Peter denying Jesus. Why do you think he did that? How did he feel when the people asked him about Jesus? How did he feel when the cockerel crowed and Jesus looked at him? With older children you can also look back to the conversation in 22:31-34 where Jesus predicted that Peter would deny Him.

In John 21 we see a despondent Peter going back to what he was familiar with - fishing. In a repeat of the calling of Peter, they are out fishing when a figure on the side of the lake tells them to again throw their nets in the other side. Peter does so and again they have a miraculous catch of fish. At this moment Peter realises that the reports he's heard are true, this is the risen Jesus.

Imagine the whole scene, put yourself in Peter's shoes. What does he think, feel? What range of emotions might he go through.

Then as he approaches Jesus he sees He's cooking fish, making breakfast on the shore. Three times Jesus asks him, 'do you love me' and three times Peter answers 'you know i do', mirroring the three times that Peter denied Jesus.

### Reflection

Knowing that Peter would deny Him it is interesting to reflect on why Jesus came to Peter in the same way as He first called him and why He asked Peter if he loved Him three times.

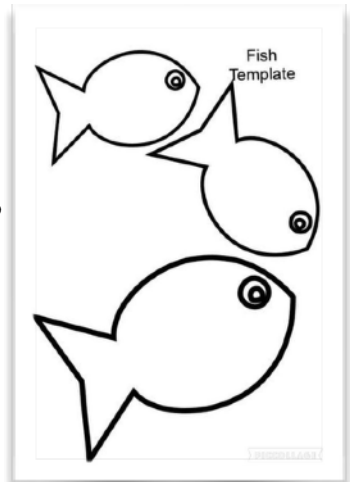
One of the things this passage may cause us to reflect on is how much Jesus loved Peter and indeed us. That He appeared to Peter after His resurrection to remind Peter that he was called to follow Jesus and that He is loved and restored even when he turned his back on Jesus.

## Faith in everyday life

You know your family better than anyone. Ask God how this story speaks to your children and your family. Maybe this week through the highs and lows of life you could remind your children, and yourself, that God has plan and a calling for their life, and that He always loves us, even when we turn our backs on Him.

## Prayer

- Use the fish template below or cut out your own fish shapes. Decorate one side of the fish and use the other side to write prayers on. You might like to make prayers that mirror the conversation that Peter had with Jesus.
  - Sorry - what do you need to say sorry to Jesus for?
  - Thank you - we can say thank you to Jesus for His unfailing love and anything else that you would like to say thank you for.
  - I love you - as Peter reiterated his love for Jesus maybe this is a time for us to reiterate ours.



- Prayer is ultimately a conversation with God.

Imagine that Jesus came to breakfast or to tea?

What would you tell Him? What would you want to ask Him?

- with younger children you may wish to set up a little pretend tea party and use this as a natural way of instigating prayer



## Activities

- As you eat fish or have breakfast together talk about the story
- Make boats and fish and retell the story together
- For younger children retell the story at bath time.
- Make a magnetic fishing game using paper clips on fish shapes and a magnet on a string (NB safety risk). Use for counting, matching words, learning a Bible verse or just for fun.
  - For younger children make fish and rod out of pipe cleaners
  - Use a Bible or Bible story book - or even Google - to find out more about the life of Peter
  - Complete the word search below on Peter - can you say where each word fits into his life
  - Make and decorate foil fish - see below
  - Colour in the picture of Peter and the disciples and the miraculous haul of fish - see below.



## Foil Fish

Make and decorate some foil fish. As you make the design on them talk about how we are all individuals with a unique calling, just like Peter. Ask God to help you know His special plan for your life.



Cut out a fish shape from any card board - such as a cereal packet.

Cut some foil, enough to cover the fish fold round the fish. You may wish to glue the back.

If you want a double sided fish, for example to hang them cover both sides. Choose your resources for decorating the fish.



Sharpies work well as do paints.



Add your designs to the fish, stripes, circles, squiggles, whatever you would like.

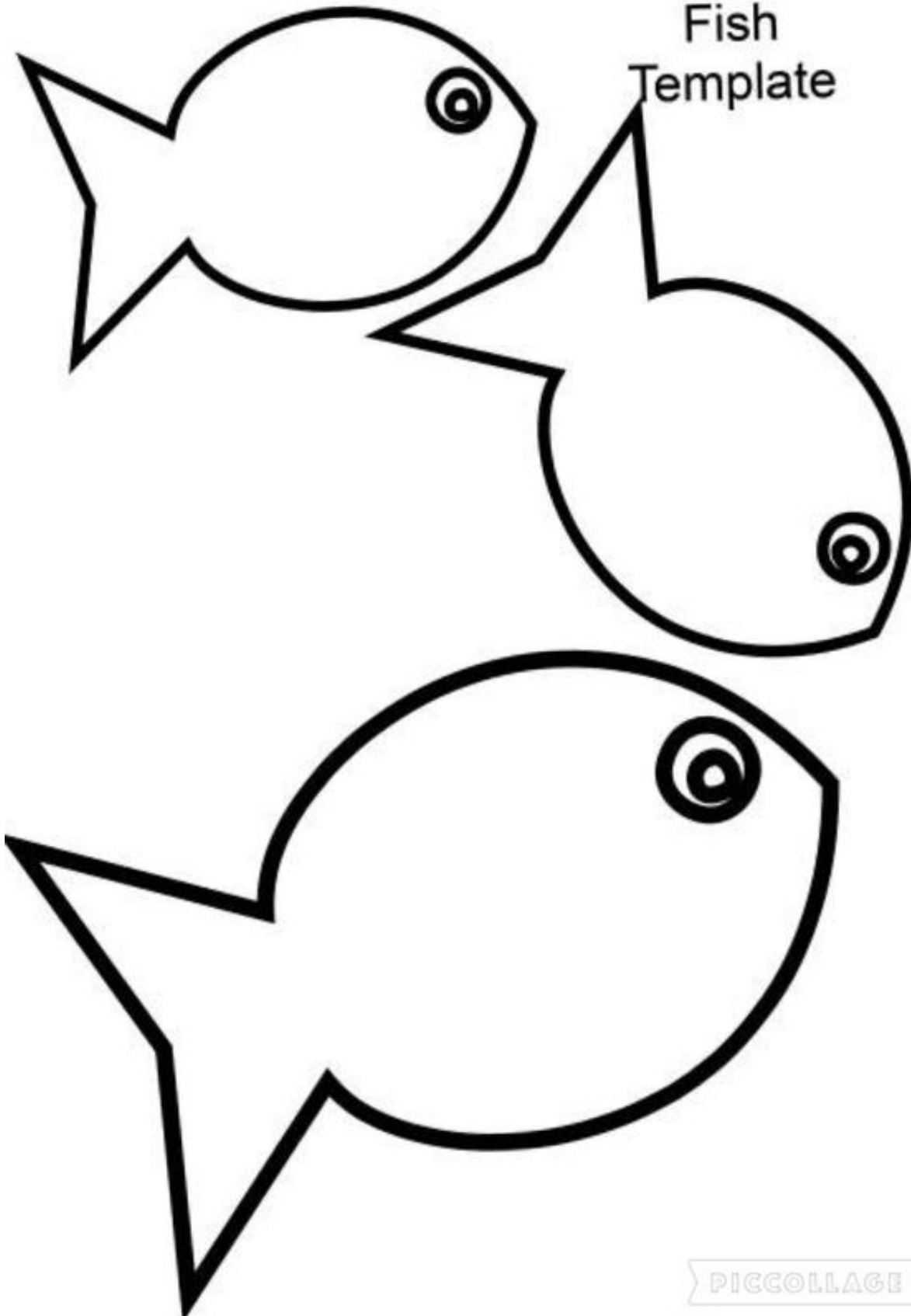


Use your fish to make an underwater scene, put in a net, make a puppet with a lollipop stick, a mobile or just for decoration.



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## Fish Template



This word search picks up key words from throughout Peter's life. If you don't know how the words relate to him maybe you could look it up.



# Bible Pathway Adventures

WORD SEARCH

## PETER

M F H N W F S B E T H S A I D A O Z E T  
 X K E D W A K A D U F I S H E R M A N E  
 A N D R E W N Y M J E I P Y N H X P T M  
 B V M W M N S V J A G J Y G D B T U P P  
 E F L T Z F I Y S S R I R H D W J D G L  
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 M N Q G J K F S H A V U O T X K C K M B  
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BETHSAIDA  
 SHAVUOT  
 TABITHA  
 CORNELIUS  
 FISHERMAN  
 JONAS

SAMARIA  
 ROME  
 KING HEROD  
 TEMPLE  
 COIN  
 DENIAL

JERUSALEM  
 CAPERNAUM  
 ANDREW  
 TRANSFIGURATION  
 YESHUA  
 DISCIPLE

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