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Q&A

What sea did Jesus and the Apostles cross?

What were the Apostles in the boat afraid of?

Read more about it in Matthew 8

A Good News Story

Jesus Calms a Storm at Sea

Catholic News Service

One day, Jesus went up the mountain to preach to the people.

When He came down, crowds of people followed Him.

One man, a leper, approached Jesus. "Lord, if you wish, you can make me clean," he said.

Jesus stretched out His hand, touched the leper and said, "I will do it. Be made clean." The leprosy was cleansed immediately.

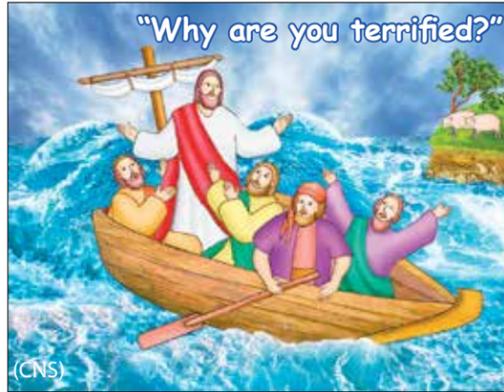
Jesus continued to heal people. In Capernaum, He was approached by a centurion.

"Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, suffering dreadfully," the centurion said.

Jesus said that He would come to the man's house and heal the servant.

"Lord, I am not worthy to have you enter under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed," the centurion replied.

"You may go; as you have believed, let it be done for you," said Jesus, and



Bible Trivia

Whose prophecy about the Messiah was fulfilled by the healings of Jesus? (Hint: Matthew 8:16-17)

Answer: The prophet Isaiah

the servant was healed.

On another day, Jesus saw the crowd around Him. He and the Apostles got in a boat to cross the Sea of Galilee.

As they were crossing, a violent storm suddenly came upon the sea.

The boat was soon being tossed around and swamped by waves. But Jesus slept through the commotion.

The Apostles, however, were wide awake with fear. They shook Jesus awake.

"Lord, save us! We are perishing!" they cried.

"Why are you terrified, O you of little faith?" Jesus said.

Then Jesus stood up. He rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was great calm. The Apostles were amazed.

"What sort of man is this, whom even the winds and the sea obey?" they asked one another.

When they reached the other side of the sea, in the territory of the Gadarenes, a herd of swine could be seen in the distance. Two demoniacs came from the nearby tombs and met Jesus on the shore.

"If you drive us out, send us into the herd of swine," the demons begged Jesus.

"Go then!" Jesus commanded.

The demons came out of the two people and entered the swine, and the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea.

Coloring Contest Winners Picked

DIOCESE—Three winners of the Diocesan Appeal coloring contest were picked by a vote of those working at the Diocesan Administration Center the week of June 19. They are:

■ Clare Kindelin, 6-year-old first grader who attends Holy Cross School in Batavia;

■ Yonee Scaletta, an 8-year-old who attends St. Thomas More School in Elgin; and

■ Allie Cook, a 13-year-old seventh grader at St. Andrew School in Rock Falls.

Each of the winners will receive gift boxes with gifts from the Vineyard Catholic Book Store, the diocesan Education Office and The Junior Observer, and a \$10 Culvers gift card.

There were more than 60 entries in the first-ever coloring contest, said Denise Dobrowski

who added it went so well this year, they will "absolutely" have another contest next year.

"We had a wonderful response and feel this will be a nice tradition to help start off our Diocesan Annual Appeal," she said. She is the director of the diocesan Office of Charitable Giving.

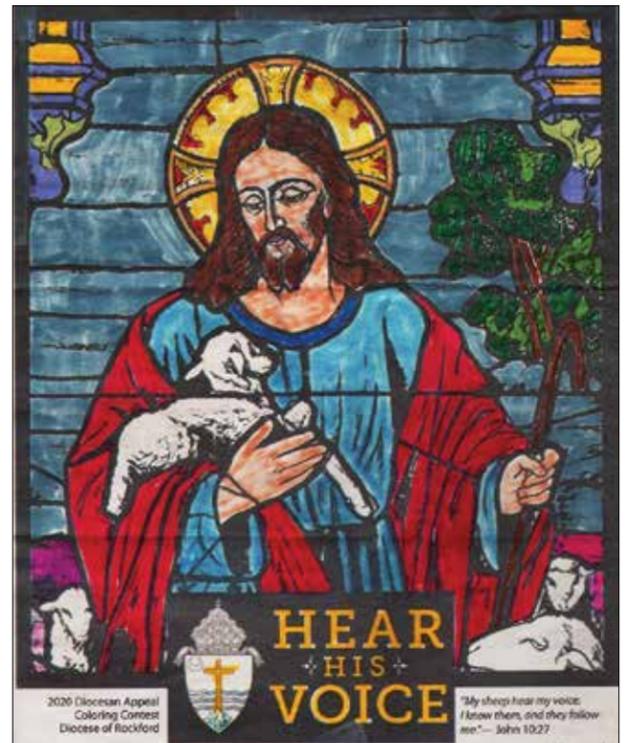
All the entries will be displayed on her door in the administration center until next year.



Clare Kindelin



Allie Cook



Yonee Scaletta