

# Amazing Illustrations



## The Floating Paper Clip

Fill a cup completely full of water—all the way to the brim, as much as you can. Choose one volunteer at a time to try something that many will think is impossible: Can you make a small paper clip float on the water? After several tries, take a small piece of paper towel. Put it on the water. Gently set the paper clip on the paper towel. Then using a toothpick or other small object, slowly pull the paper towel out from under the paper clip. Because of a scientific reality called “surface tension” the paper clip will continue to float on the water.

*Spiritual Application:* Read and discuss Philippians 4:13. This is also a great illustration to use to introduce Jesus walking on the water (Matthew 14:23-33).

