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Allow me to share with you, my most favourite story
It's about the life of a man who lived as most holy.
From the right hand of the Father, to the crib he descended
To grow up and give up, so brokenness gets mended.
For us to be part of the family, as God's adopted son or daughter

So let me tell you about Jesus through the journey of **water**.

1. First meet John his cousin

Likes locusts, honey he licks,
Proper spiritual like and a bit of an eccentric.
He clears his throat and he pipes up loud
"turn around, to the one who's love knows no bounds."

So some got baptised but see John was just sent
As the warm act to proclaim the main event.

Ent...er Jesus

Who John baptises
Straight out of the **water** Jesus arises,
And with a voice from the clouds God fills us in...
He says, "this is my son and I'm chuffed to bits with Him!"

2. Next he's at this wedding and the red wine run's dry

To be fair it was a bit embarrassing for the Father of the bride
So Mary the mother, gives Jesus the *hintage*
And from **water** to wine – he miracles a vintage!
The guests are loving it, they're having a blast
They couldn't believe they saved the best wine till last!

3. A bit later in a boat, it's chucking it down

A storm out at sea, 'are we *gonna* drown?'
Think Jesus' mates, is this really their fate? See they're all freaking out
Meanwhile Jesus is having shut eye and he's out for the count.

Waves thrashing, **water** rising, boat sinking
“How’s He kip through this?” Jesus buddies are thinking.
Til...(Yawn)
“What’s the problem?” asks Jesus
“What’s all the fuss?”
Says ‘Shush’ to the storm and there descended a...hush.

4. Next a new scene, but similar scenery
Pete and his buddies, rowing out at sea
they spot someone out there, they’re all scared witless
Jesus walking on **water** – doing the miraculous.
At first they flip out, they fly off the handle,
Til Jesus says ‘it’s me’ as he rings out his sandal.

5. Then gathered griever, all mourning in masses
As a friend of Jesus, called Lazarus passes – he dies.
Jesus sees the brokenness and **tears** fill his eyes
And with suffering surrounding him, says...
‘Lazarus’ - ‘Rise’

6. Then the bit of the story that fills us with dread
When Jesus gave up his life and lowered his head
When darkness descended
A perfect life savagely ended
Where’s all this talk of the brokenness mended?

Through love gritted teeth, he proclaimed ‘it is finished’
And with one final cry out he gives up his spirit
Then proof of the pudding – that our saviour had died.
There gushed out blood **water**, from a spear in his side

Then a tear in the temple curtain takes away the divide
His followers and friends, must’ve been beside...
themselves – the hope of brokenness becoming mended, with his death has just ended

7. Til Everything gets upended
Three days pass and **water** flowed plenty
From the tear ducts of Mary by the tomb that was empty
‘What’s wrong?’ asks the gardener – then imagine her surprise
To notice not a gardener – just Jesus – Alive!

He kicked off his mission with a **water** baptism
Lived, then he died to free us from the prison
Of our sin and our selves, all our shame and division
And it’s paid for, it’s dealt with because He is risen

Our mess has been buried, we can now be forgiven
Our lives resurrected, through Jesus who's risen
through the 3-day baptism, we can emerge from the **water**
to be part of Jesus' family – as God's adopted son or daughter.

So when we come, to the perfect son, who lifted the curse
He gives us living water, that will forever quench our thirst