

July 16, 2023

*Miracles of Jesus*  
**Power Over Nature (Matthew 14:22-33)**  
*Faith in Jesus overcomes Fears.*

*Warmup: What is the most daring thing you have ever done?*

**READ** Matthew 14:22-23

- What did Jesus insist that his disciples do?
- Compare the two settings: where is Jesus and where are the disciples?
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

**REFLECT**

- As you read the passage again, what reasons could explain why Jesus insisted that the disciples get in the boat and cross the lake without him?
- Would you be more likely to step out of the boat like Peter, or stay in the boat? What do you see in your own life that parallels Peter's attempt to walk on the water?
- How is the Spirit speaking to you right now?

**RESPOND**

- How is Jesus preparing you to face your fear and get out of the boat? What is one step you can take in faith to obey God's prompting?
- Record one of God's promises to you in Scripture. Post it in two places where you will see it every day. Identify a leader, trusted friend, or pastor to pray with you and encourage you to move forward with Jesus.
- How is the Spirit leading you to respond this week?

*"To transform religious and irreligious people into Fully Devoted Followers of Christ."*