

## **Newington '25 - 'A Year in the Gospels' together #21 (April 21 - 26)**

**April 21 - 26/ Day 1: Read Matthew 14:22-33:**

***Q. In this story who really failed? Have you ever been accused of failing, when you hadn't? When was it***

***Q. So far in your life, what has been your experience with dealing a lack of faith or doubt?***

***Q. What happens when we place our trust in things ("boats") and/or lose our faith focus?***

**April 21 - 26/ Day 2: Read Mark 6:45-52:**

***Q. If you feel that you are not living out God's calling in life, what steps might you take to recover that focus?***

***Q. What fears do you need to surrender to His presence in your life?***

**April 21 - 26/ Day 3: Read John 6:16-21:**

***Q. How has inviting Jesus into your boat been a source of unexpected miracles in your life?***

***Q. How has inviting Jesus into your boat helped you weather the storms of life?***

**April 21 - 26/ Day 4: Read Matthew 14:34-36; Mark 6:53-56:**

***Q. Why is Jesus recognized so quickly here? What past events might have led these people to seek Him?***

***Q. As witnesses to the power of Jesus to transform lives, how well are we doing at making Jesus' fame spread throughout our area? What holds you back from proclaiming Jesus's majesty?***

**April 21 - 26/ Day 5: Read John 6:22-40:**

***Q. Why do think the people are searching after Jesus here? Why do many people follow Jesus today?***

***Q. What should be our motivation for following God?***

***Q. What should our attitude be towards spiritual rewards and/or material benefits?***

**April 21 - 26/ Day 6: Study and Meditation – Consider the following questions:**

***Q. What fears or failures do you need to surrender to God in order to keep your eyes fully fixed on Him?***

***Q. How can we avoid being too hard on others or ourselves for taking a step of faith like Peter, but sinking when we lose direction or focus? What encouragement should we share in such times?***