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## Walking on Water

John 6:16-21

### I. The Disciples Got Into the Boat (vv. 16-17)

A. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the disciples get into the boat  
(Matt. 14:22; Mk. 6:45; Lk. 14:23; Acts 28:19; Gal. 2:14)

B. Jesus went up on the mountain to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Matt. 14:23; Mk. 6:46; Lk. 5:16; 6:12; Mk 1:35; Matt. 26:36)

### II. The Sea Became Rough (vv. 18-19a)

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the storm  
(Matt. 14:24; Matt. 8:24; Mk. 4:37; Lk. 8:23)

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ response  
(Matt. 8:25-26; Mk. 4:40; Lk. 8:25; Matt. 14:26; Mk. 6:49-50a)

C. The \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ  
(1 Pet. 1:6-8; 2 Cor. 12:9-10)

### III. They Saw Jesus Walking on the Water (v. 19b)

A. Walking on water is not a \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus  
(Jn. 1:3; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:2)

B. Walking on the water was a big deal for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Matt. 14:26-31; Gal. 5:16, 24; Rom. 8:4-5)

### IV. The Statements of Christ (v. 20)

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ "I am" statement  
(Ex. 3:6, 14; Jn. 6:35; 8:12; 10:7, 11; 11:25; 14:6; 15:1)

B. The most \_\_\_\_\_ command in the Bible  
(Ex. 14:13; Deut. 3:22; Josh. 1:9; 10:8; Prov. 29:25; Matt. 10:28; Lk. 12:32; Phil. 4:6; 2 Tim. 1:7; 1 Pet. 3:14)

### V. They Took Him Into the Boat (v. 21)

A. When Jesus got into the boat the wind \_\_\_\_\_  
(Matt. 14:32; Mk. 6:51)

B. When Jesus got into the boat the boat \_\_\_\_\_ its destination  
(Isa. 55:8-9)

C. When Jesus got into the boat they \_\_\_\_\_ Him  
(Matt. 14:33; Mk. 6:51-52)

### TAKE HOME

- When things get \_\_\_\_\_ in your life what is your natural response?
- Are you \_\_\_\_\_ on the most repeated command in the Bible?
- Have you \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus into the boat or are you still rowing?

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read John 6:16-17. Why did the disciples get into the boat? (Matt. 14:22; Mk. 6:45) What did Jesus want to do next? (Matt. 14:23; Mk. 6:46). What can we learn from these two points?

2. Read John 6:18-19a. Discuss the nature of the storm, the natural response, and the nurture of Christ. What did you think about our theology of trials being that God uses them on purpose; God uses them to help us; and God reminds us of His love for us? Can you share how this has been true in your life? (1 Pet. 1:6-8; 2 Cor. 12:9-10)

3. Read John 6:19b. Why wasn’t this a big deal for Jesus? (Jn. 1:3; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:2). Why was this a big deal for Peter? What are some areas in your life that you need to learn to walk in the Spirit? (Gal. 5:16, 24; Rom. 8:4-5)

4. Read John 6:20. What is so significant about this statement of Christ? What is the most repeated command in the Bible? Were you surprised to hear that? Why or why not?

5. Read John 6:21. What did you think about this last verse? How many miracles did Jesus actually do on that day? (excluding the feeding of the five thousand) What encouraged you most about the sub-points with this last heading?

6. Read the take home questions. Which one encourages you or challenges you the most? Why? How will you live differently this week based on what you have learned in this passage?

*“This story is not a parable; it is a historical narrative. However, it certainly illustrates what happens when Jesus comes into our lives. Life is a time of pulling against the oars, against resistance, trying to get somewhere. However, we’re not getting anywhere and we’re about to be engulfed. But as soon as Jesus gets in the boat, we’re home free.”*

- R.C. Sproul, *John, St. Andrew’s Expository Commentary*