

JESUS WALKS ON WATER

July 15, 2020

Mathew 14:22-33

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think that Jesus went up the mountain side alone?
2. Why do you think Jesus waits until near dawn to walk out to the boat the disciples were in?
3. With what we know of Peter, can anyone describe him?
4. How does the knowledge of Peter stepping onto the raging sea help your understanding of the story?
5. Brief exercise (Close your eyes while I set the scene.)
Question: Who do you identify with? Peter or the other disciples who remained in the boat? Why?
6. It seems that Jesus had to continually prove himself to his disciples. Where in the story tells us this?

We all become afraid sometimes as children as well as adults. As children we've often gone to our parents for comfort.

7. As an adult today what are you afraid of now?
8. Do you acknowledge those fears, or do you ignore them?
9. What coping strategies, that you may have learned as a child, have you used to confront those fear?

ACTIVITY:

Here is a paper with three columns. In the first column write Mathew at the top.

In the second column write Mark at the top. In the third column write John at the top.

Volunteers will read each version of this Bible story written by three different disciples.

Mathew 14:22-33; Mark 6: 45-52; John 6:16-21

Please take a few minutes to write the similarities of the scriptures and the differences of the scriptures. We will go over your answers together.

REFLECTIONS II

1. What storms seem to be raging in your life now?
2. How is Jesus asking you to step out and inviting you into the storm?
3. How can your faith in Jesus strengthen you to stand up to the storms in your life?

REFLECT AND RESPOND:

Let us take a moment to meditate.

How is God calling you to step out on faith?

How do you sense that Jesus is standing there as you consider your next step?