

Life Group Questions

Joshua: "Strong and Courageous" Week 10: Matthew 14:22-33 | August 6, 2023

- 1. ICEBREAKER: Share about a time when you *knew* you were strong. Feel free to keep this light. Think about physical strength (push-up challenges, 5ks, etc.) or emotional/spiritual strength.
- 2. How does the lens of "growing belief" help us better understand the two stories in Matthew 14 (Jesus feeding the 5k, Jesus walking on water)?
 - a. How might the same lens be encouraging to you in your faith this week?
- 3. Notice in verse 22, who leads the disciples into their difficult situation? Why is this concept important for us today?
 - a. How does this line up with James 1:2-4? Read this passage as a group as you discuss.
- 4. What do you think is going on when Jesus calls Peter "you of little faith"?
 - a. In what ways does Peter get a bad rap from this passage? Others?
- 5. Why is it important to understand the idea that the *object* of our faith is greater than the *intensity* of our faith?
 - a. How have you seen this play out in your life over the years?
- 6. We have just two weeks left in our summer Joshua series. What is one thing God has taught you through our church's time in this book together? Who can you share that with this week?
- 7. ***PRAY together*** Spend some time praying for lost friends and family members by name.