



THIS IS WHO
HE IS

Deep Water DYNAMICS



REALLY STRUGGLING
REALLY SCARED
REALLY SHAKEN

Uncomfortable **Faith**



THE WILLINGNESS TO STEP OUT INTO A SITUATION WHERE YOU WOULD
BE IN 'DEEP WATER' IF GOD ISN'T WITH YOU.



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Gospel of
MARK
6:45-52

Immediately He made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while He dismissed the crowd.



MARK
6:45-52



Five & Two



What 'small things' could you offer to Jesus that He might use to do 'big things' with?

And after He had taken leave of them,
He went up on the mountain to pray.



MARK
6:45-52

And when evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and He was alone on the land.



MARK
6:45-52

And He saw that they were making headway
painfully, for the wind was against them.



MARK
6:45-52

And about the fourth watch of the night
He came to them, walking on the sea.



MARK
6:45-52



How

DID JESUS WALK ON WATER?



A person in a long, dark robe is walking across a turbulent sea at night. The water is dark and choppy, with white foam from the waves splashing around the person. The sky is dark with some light breaking through the clouds, creating a dramatic, high-contrast scene. The overall mood is mysterious and powerful.

Why

DID JESUS WALK ON WATER?



"He saw that they were making headway *painfully.*"



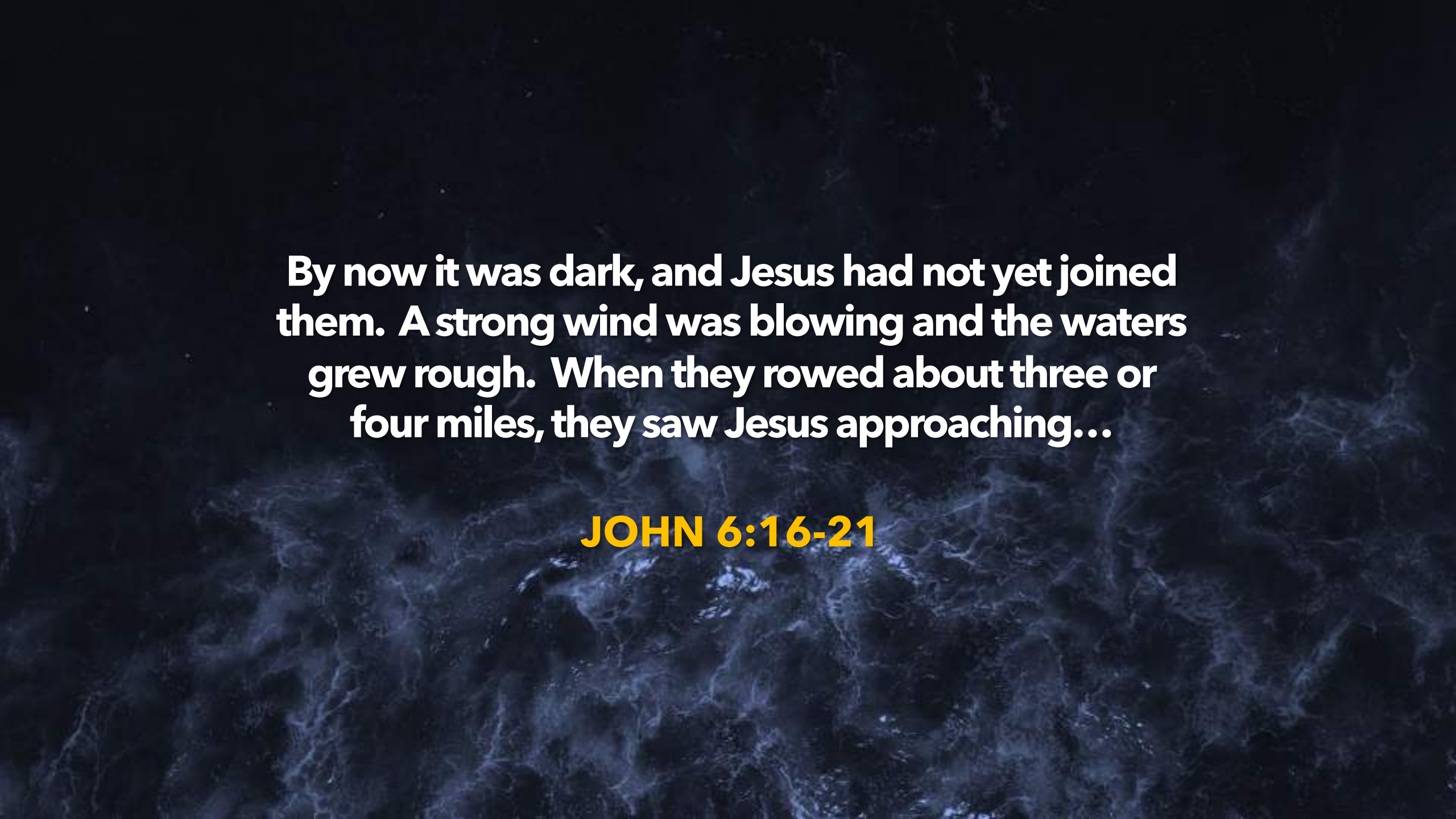
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CAME TO BE CLOSE TO THE *Really* STRUGGLING



God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

PSALM 46:1



By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. When they rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching...

JOHN 6:16-21

He meant to pass by them,
but when they saw Him walking on the sea
they thought it was a ghost,



MARK
6:45-52

And they cried out, for they all
saw Him and were terrified.



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But *immediately* He spoke to them and said,
"Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."



MARK
6:45-52



Why

DID JESUS WALK ON WATER?



"Take heart it is I."



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CAME TO COMFORT THE *Really* SCARED



The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.

DEUTERONOMY 31:8



Pass *by*



"He meant to *pass* by them."

Pass by


EXODUS 33:18-23



“Take heart, it is I, do not be afraid.”
And He got in the boat with them,
and the wind ceased.



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"But *immediately* Jesus spoke to them, saying,
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MATTHEW 14:26-32



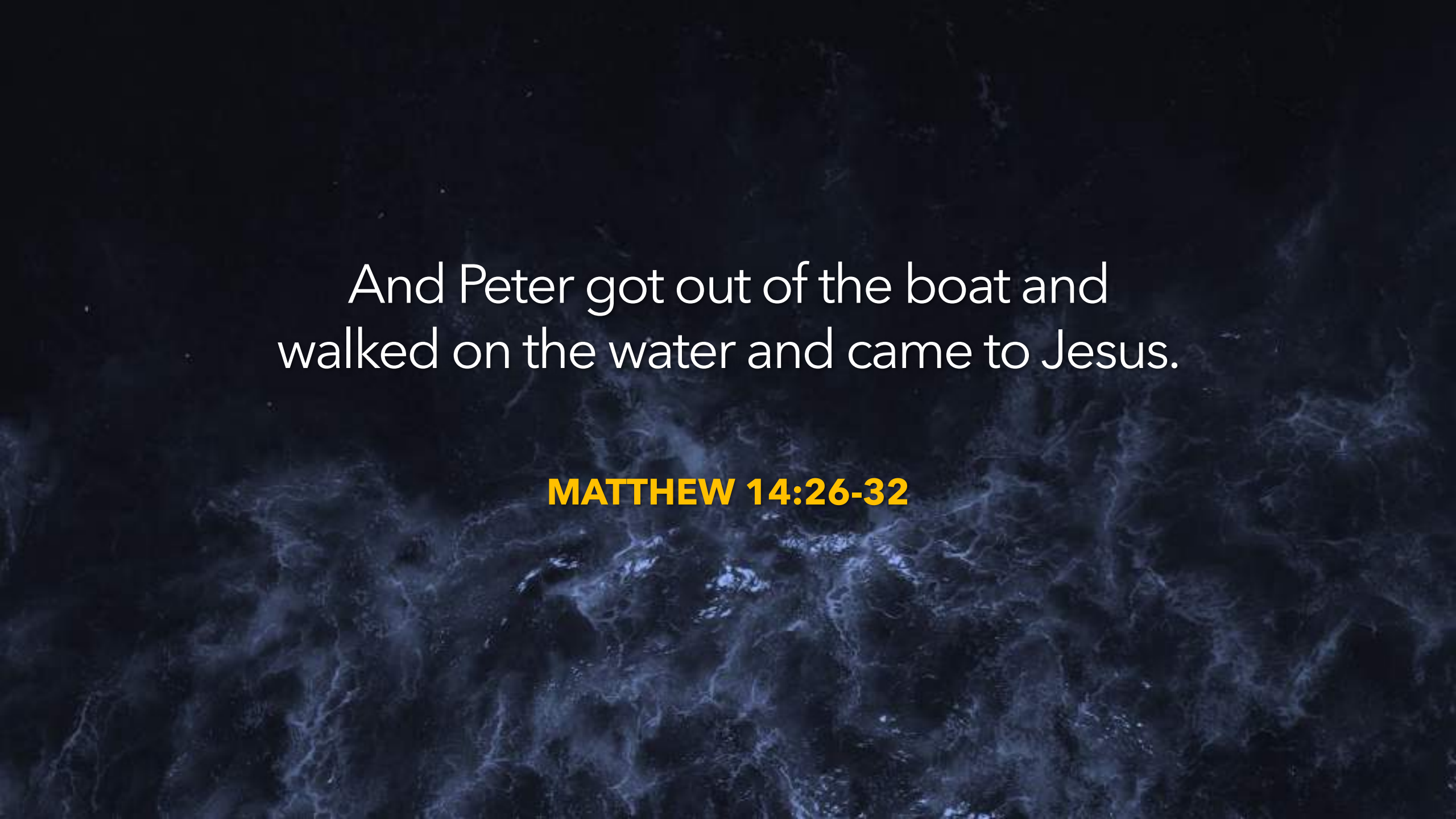
And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is you,
command me to come you on the water."

MATTHEW 14:26-32



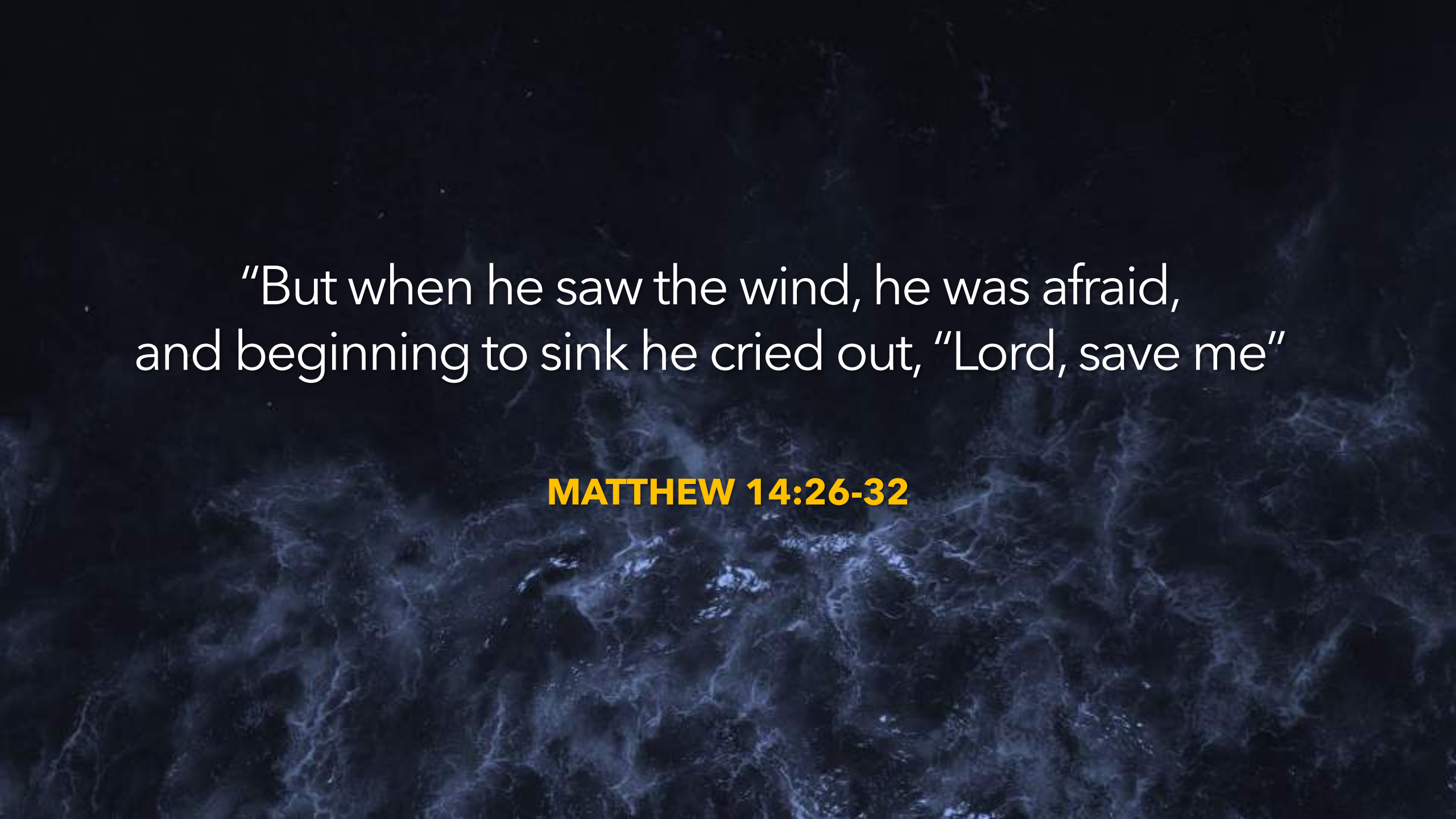
He said, "Come."

MATTHEW 14:26-32



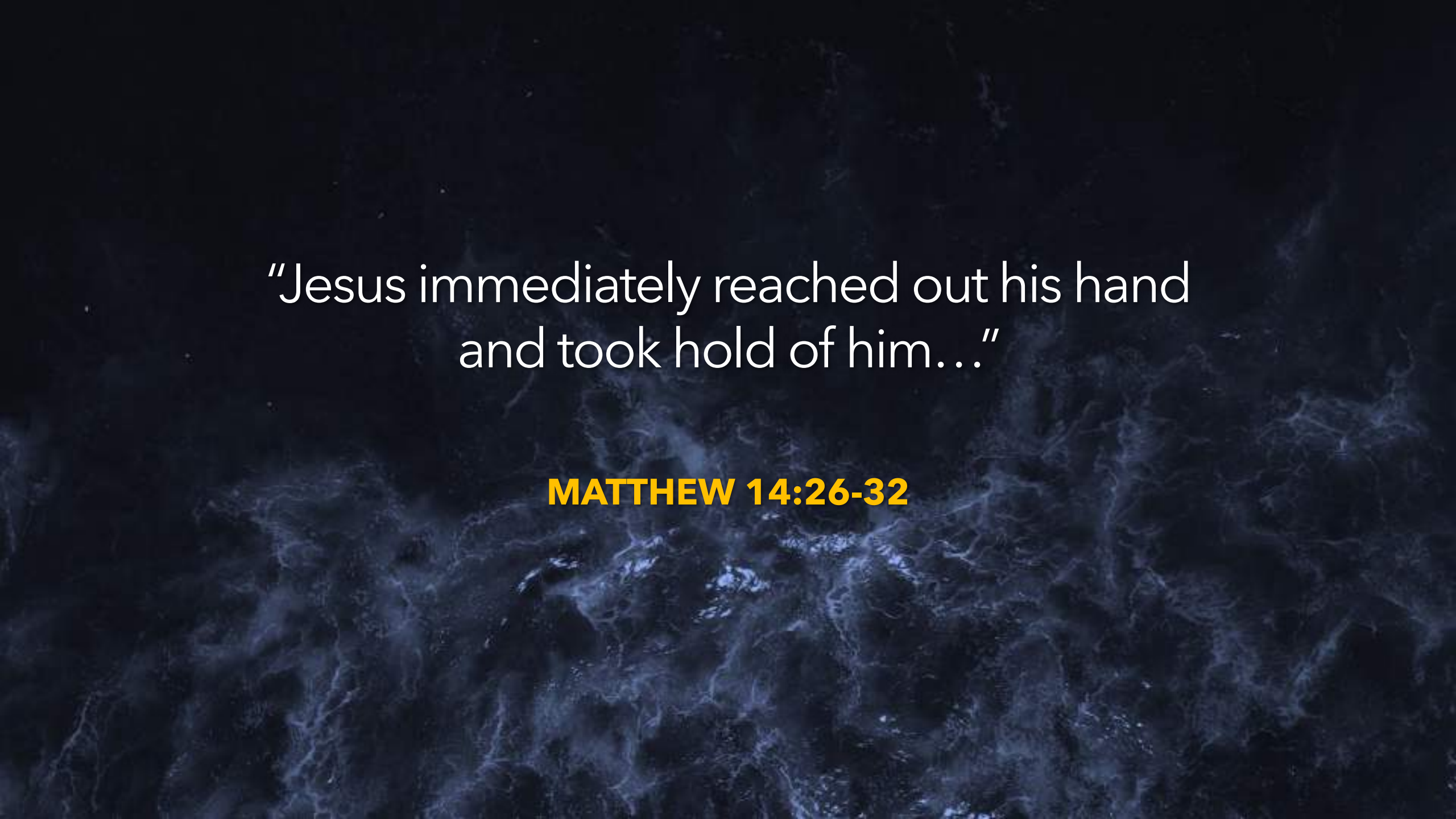
And Peter got out of the boat and
walked on the water and came to Jesus.

MATTHEW 14:26-32



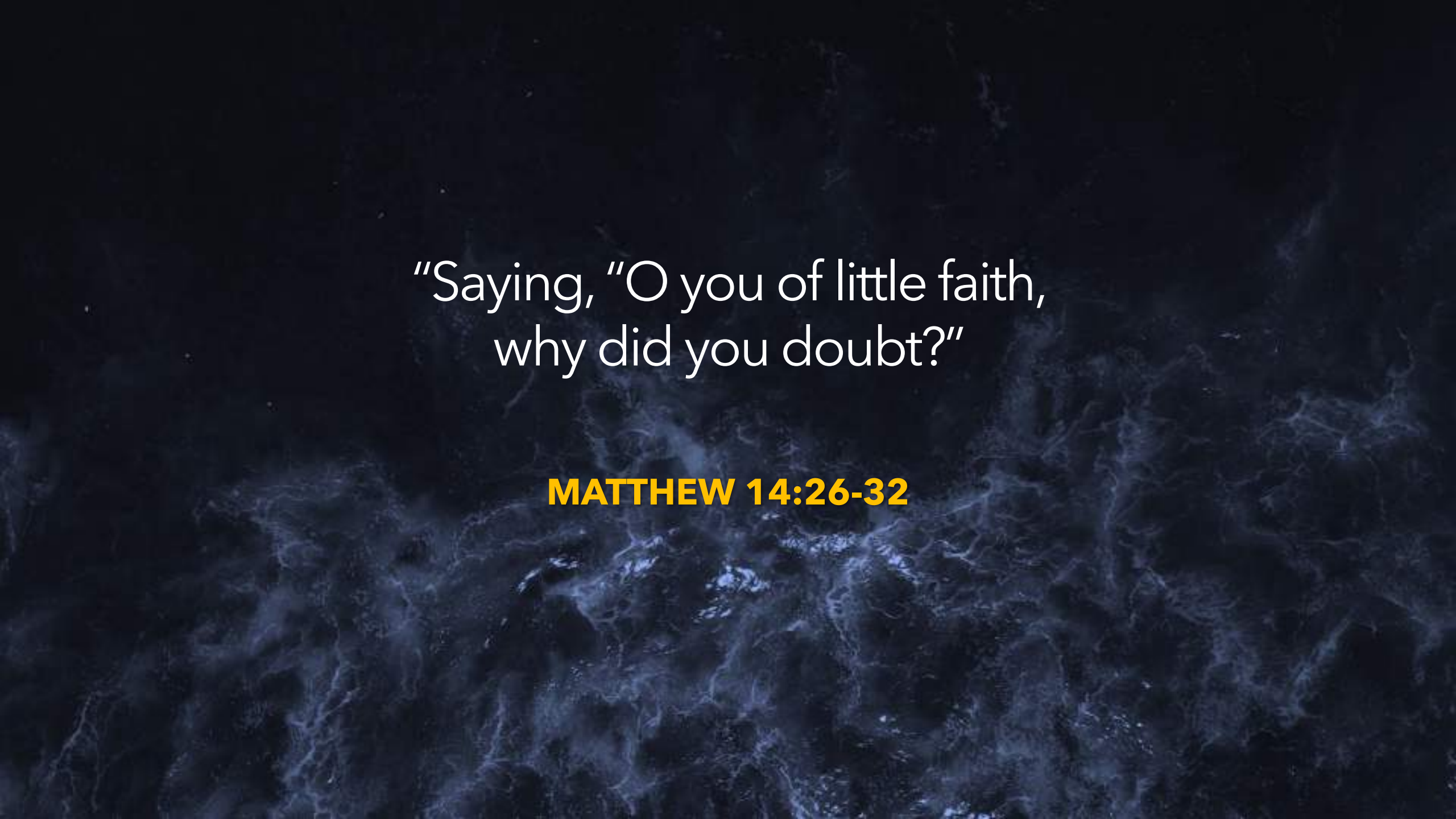
“But when he saw the wind, he was afraid,
and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me”

MATTHEW 14:26-32



"Jesus immediately reached out his hand
and took hold of him..."

MATTHEW 14:26-32



"Saying, "O you of little faith,
why did you doubt?"

MATTHEW 14:26-32



Why

DID JESUS WALK ON WATER?



"Why did you doubt?"



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CAME TO RESCUE THE *Really* SHAKEN



The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; He delivers them from all their troubles.
The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

PSALM 34:17-18



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A dramatic scene of Jesus walking on water. He is in the center, wearing a brown robe and a dark cloak, with his arms outstretched. The water is dark and turbulent, with white foam around him. The background is a dark, stormy sea under a cloudy sky.

IT IS I, do not be *afraid*



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JOHN 6:16-21

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And they were utterly astounded,
for they did not understand about the _____ ,
but their hearts were hardened.



MARK
6:45-52

And they were utterly astounded,
for they did not understand about the loaves ,
but their hearts were hardened.



MARK
6:45-52



Five & Two



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Broke it
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My sacrifice,
O God is a
broken spirit; a
broken and
contrite heart
you, God, will
not despise.

PSALM 51:17



Abraham

Had to be willing to
sacrifice Isaac.

Joseph

Had to spend time in
a pit and a prison.

Moses

Had to spend years in
the wilderness.

David

Had to hide in caves while
running from Saul.

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A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding a woven basket filled with several round loaves of bread. The lighting is warm and soft, highlighting the texture of the bread and the basket. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the person's hands and the basket.

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When safety is our goal, we choose a life of maintenance rather than adventure. We play only defense, not offense.

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When safety is our goal, we select a 'safe god' not realizing he's our worst enemy – he breeds cowardice, steals joy, and keeps you stuck, complacent, and bored.

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Why

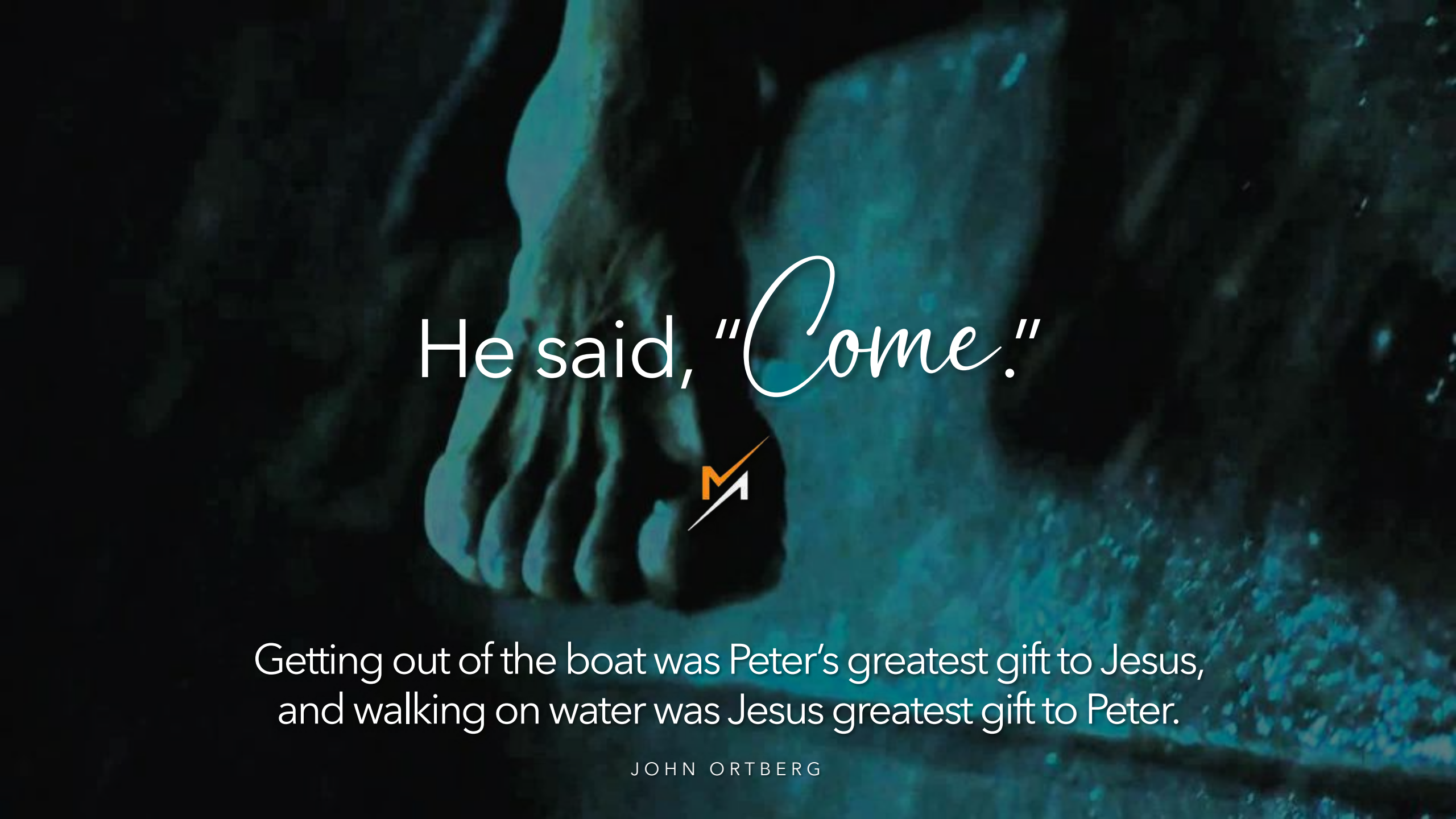
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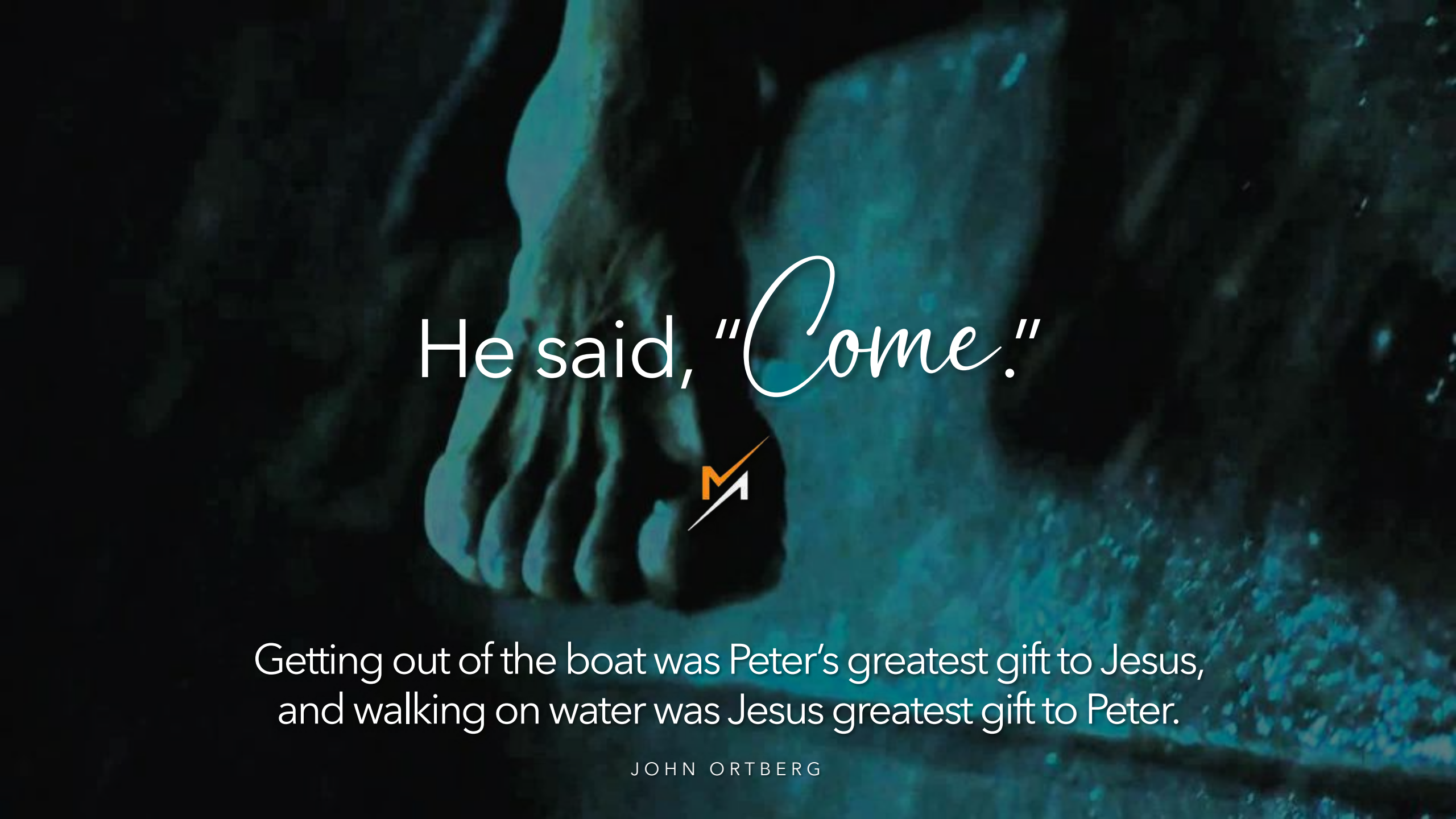
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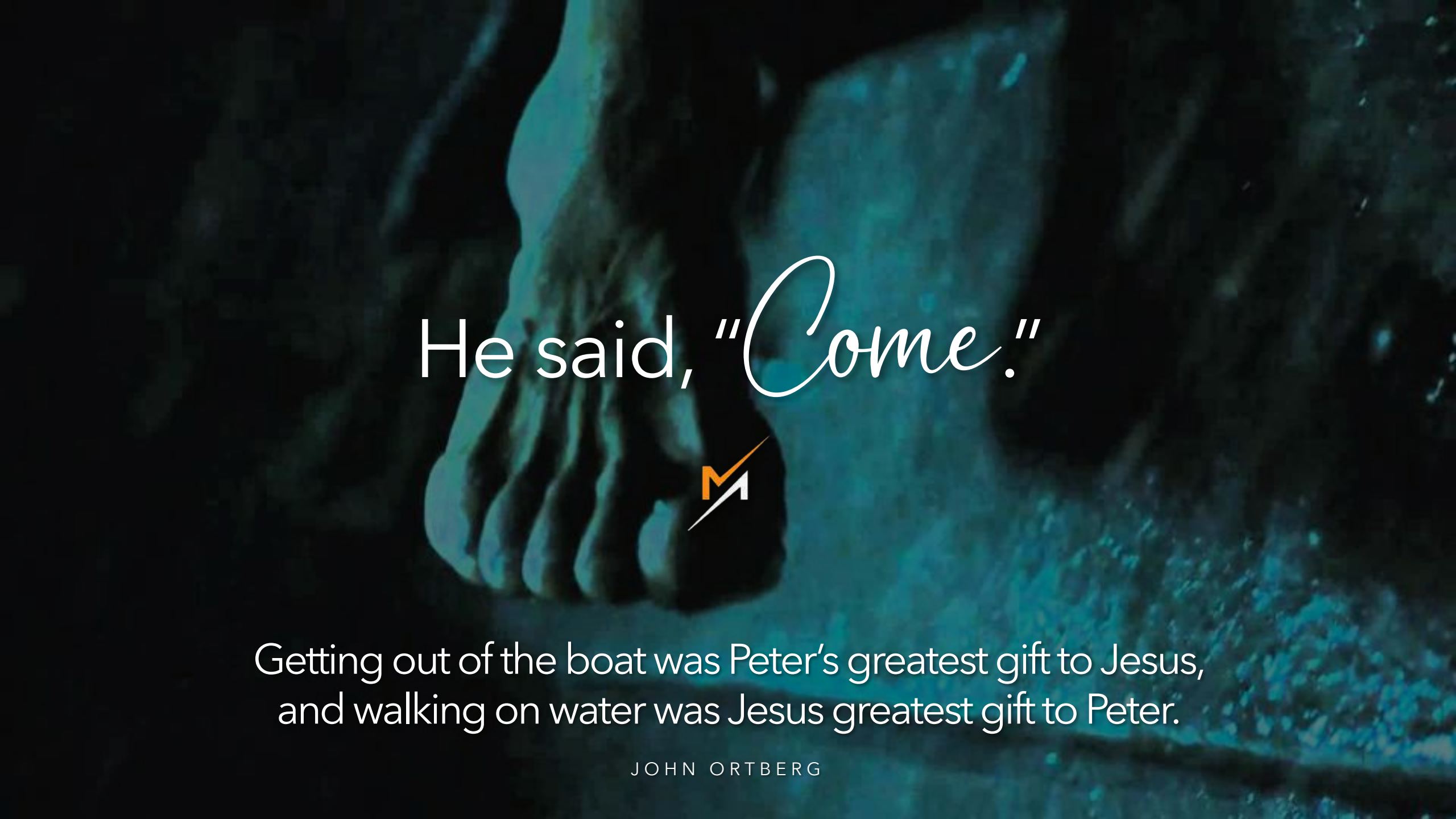
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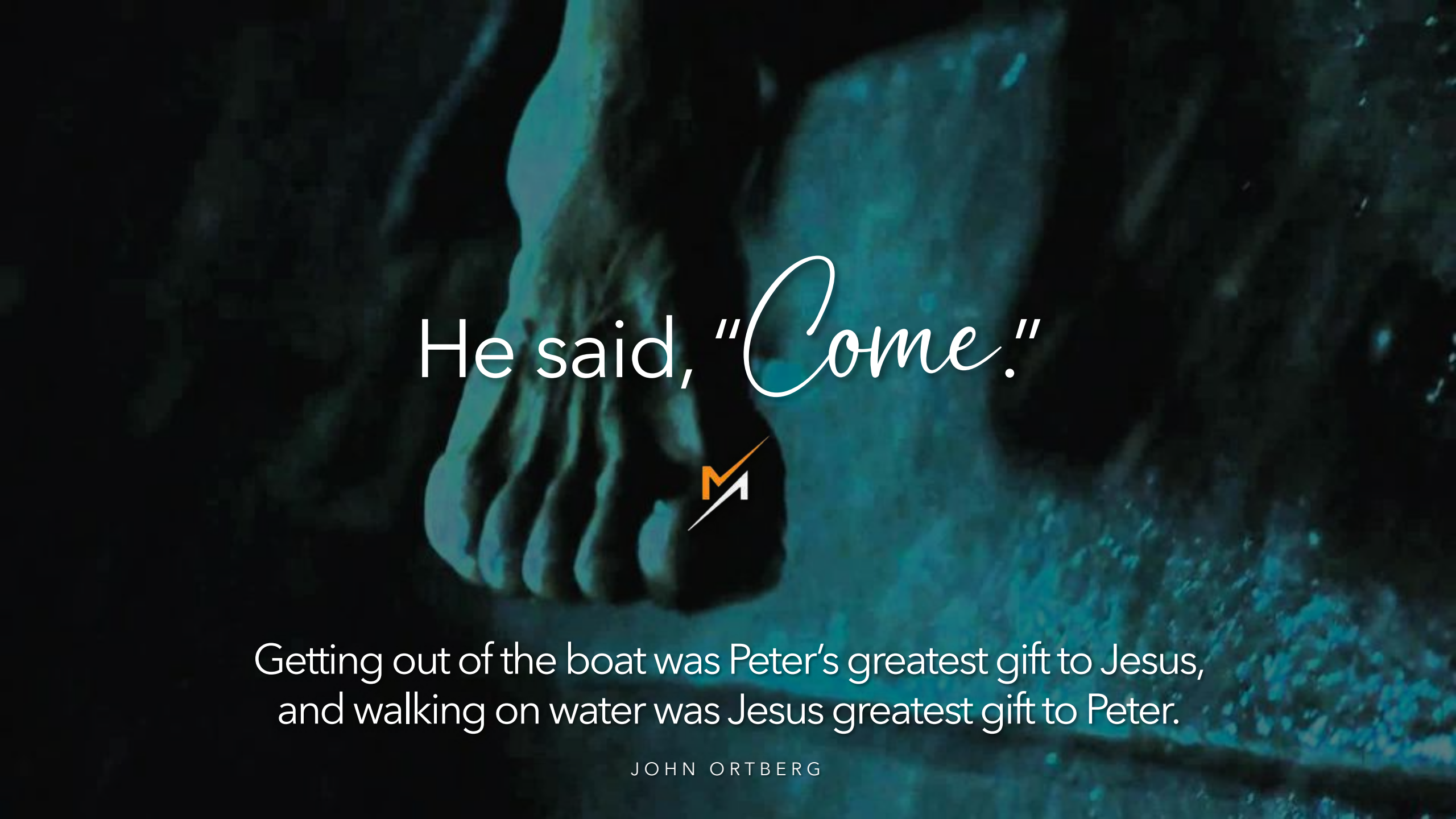
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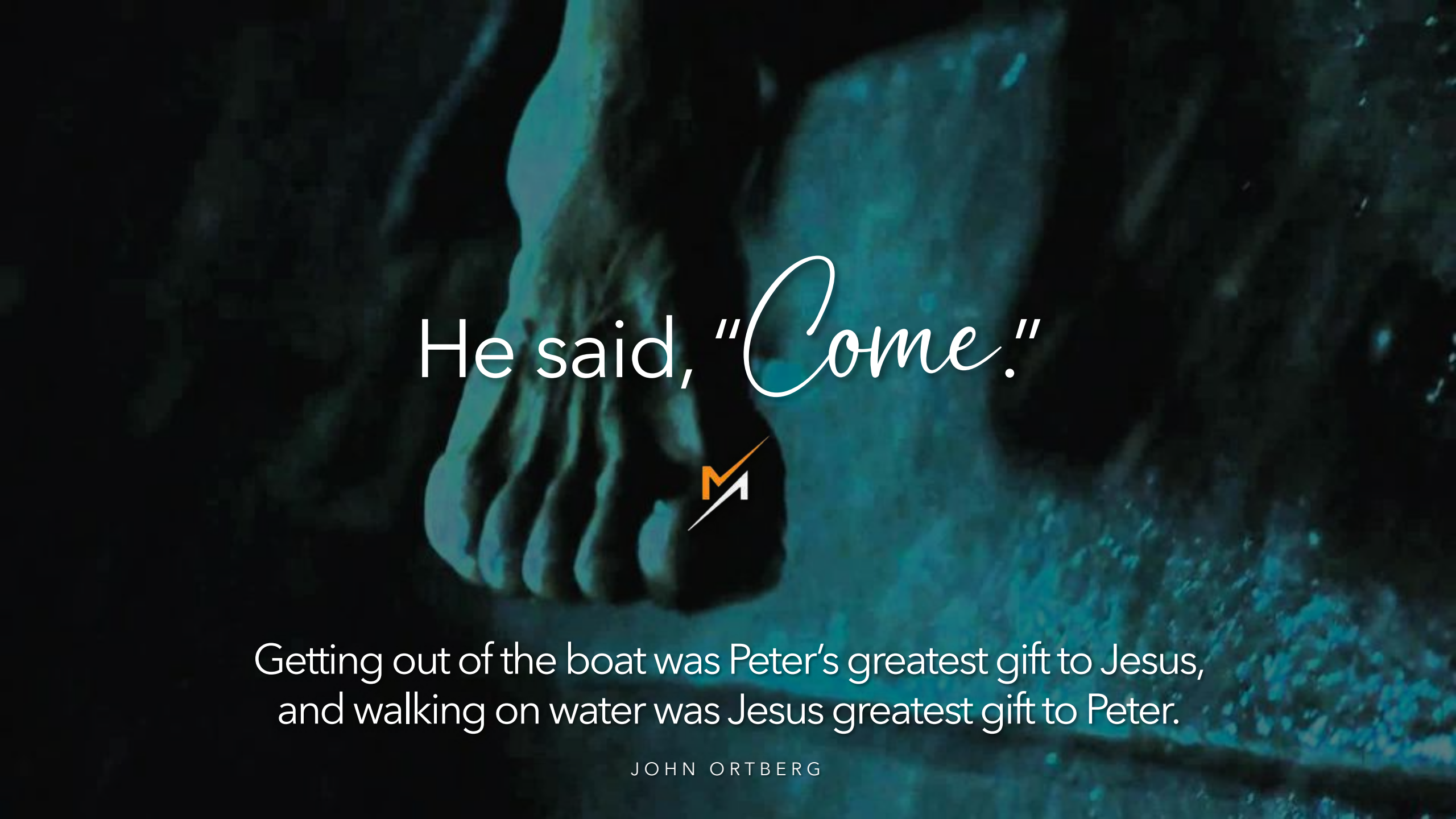


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Seldom has God used someone greatly,
that He has not allowed to be hurt deeply.


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He said, "*Come.*"



Sometimes getting to the place God can best use us, demands a step of uncomfortable faith into the deep waters He's called us.

A dramatic scene of Jesus in a stormy sea, with a bright light shining on him. The water is dark and turbulent, and the sky is dark and stormy. Jesus is in the center, looking towards the viewer with a calm expression. The text is overlaid on the scene.

Jesus can love you more in one moment
than anyone else could in a lifetime.



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