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# SIGNS —of the— KING

The Fifth Sign of the King:  
Jesus Walks on Water

water walking 101

First  
SERMONS

“ But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”

~ JOHN 20:31 (NIV)

## John 6:15-21 Context:

- Takes place immediately after the \_\_\_\_\_.

“ Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.” ~ JOHN 6:15 (NIV)

“ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray.” ~ MATTHEW 14:23a (NIV)

- When Jesus goes away by Himself to Pray you know \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jesus sends His disciples out on the water. (Mark 6:45)

Seas and Water in the Bible often represent \_\_\_\_\_.

*Genesis 1:2, Genesis 7:17-24, Psalm 69:1-2, Job 3:8, Jonah 1:16-17, Revelation 13:1, Revelation 21:1*

“ When evening came, his disciples went down to the lake, <sup>17</sup> where they got into a boat and set off across the lake for Capernaum. By now it was dark, and Jesus had not yet joined them. <sup>18</sup> A strong wind was blowing and the waters grew rough. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened. <sup>20</sup> But he said to them, 'It is I; don't be afraid.' <sup>21</sup> Then they were willing to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.”

~ JOHN 6:16-21 (NIV)

## Lessons from the Fifth Sign

1. Storms \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_, even in the storm.

“ When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water; and they were frightened.”  
~ JOHN 6:19 (NIV)

“ He saw the disciples straining at the oars, because the wind was against them. Shortly before dawn he went out to them, walking on the lake.”  
~ MARK 6:48 (NIV)

“ Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. <sup>2</sup> When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers they will not sweep over you.”  
~ ISAIAH 43:1-2a (NIV)

## Peter Steps Out of the Boat

“ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. ‘It’s a ghost,’ they said, and cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But Jesus immediately said to them: ‘Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.’

<sup>28</sup> ‘Lord, if it’s you,’ Peter replied, ‘tell me to come to you on the water.’ <sup>29</sup> ‘Come,’ he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, ‘Lord, save me!’ <sup>31</sup> Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. ‘You of little faith,’ he said, ‘why did you doubt?’”

~ MATTHEW 14:26-31 (NIV)

**Lesson: If you want to walk on water you have to get out of the boat!**

Jesus’ response to His disciples: *“It is I! Do not be afraid.”* Literally: \_\_\_\_\_.

3. It is never too late to invite Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.

“ Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.” ~ JOHN 6:21 (ESV)

“ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith.” ~ EPHESIANS 2:8a (NIV)

“ If you declare with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

~ ROMANS 10:9 (NIV)

What Comes Next in John 6: Many people desert Jesus

### The Disciples Declaration of Faith:

“ You do not want to leave too, do you?’ Jesus asked the Twelve. <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, ‘Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God’”

~ JOHN 6:67-69 (NIV)

### DISCUSSION Questions:

COMMUNITY GROUP VIDEOS *available on the APP* |    

- 1 - Would you rather spend a day at the Ocean or a day in the mountains?
- 2 - Often before a big event or decision Jesus was found going away by himself to pray. What do you do when you have to make a big decision? How could you learn from the pattern of Jesus?
- 3 - Read through the Scripture passages about the Sea/Waters listed in your notes. How do you think the ancient Israelites felt about the seas?
- 4 - Jesus sent his disciples out into a storm. Pastor Glen said you can be in the will of God and still find yourself in the middle of a storm. Do you agree or disagree? Why?
- 5 - Read John 6:16-21. What is your favorite part of this familiar story?
- 6 - What do you think it means to “invite Jesus into your boat?” When is a time you have done this in your life?
- 7 - Read Peter’s statement in John 6:67-69. Do you feel like you can honestly say this these days?

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