



### Part 3: Come

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#### A Tough Day for Jesus

**The rejection in Nazareth**

*(Matthew 13:53-58)*

**His best friend John is murdered**

*(Matthew 14:1-12)*

**Jesus withdraws to be alone**

*(Matthew 14:13)*

**Jesus handles some “office work and ministry reports”**

*(Mark 6:30)*

**Jesus tries again to be alone**

*(Mark 6:31)*

**Jesus is pursued by a crowd, has compassion on them, teaches them, heals the sick, and feeds 5000 plus**

*(Matthew 14:13-20)*

*And then...*

#### Matthew 14:22-33

<sup>22</sup> Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. <sup>23</sup> After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

<sup>25</sup> Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake.

<sup>26</sup> 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!**

**A statement of hope**

**It is I.**

**A statement of revelation**

**Don’t be afraid.”**

**A statement of comfort**

<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.**

**An invitation into an adventure**

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?”**

**A question for all of us**

#### A Quick Rabbit Trail on Worry

**Worry is futile** *(Luke 12:25-31)*

**Worry is momentary practical atheism**

*(Matthew 6:25-34)*

**Worry is locked in the world of “what if”; faith lives in the world of “who is”**

*(Philippians 4:6-7)*

**Worry is not godly concern**

*(Matthew 6:33)*

**The greatest weapon against worry is worship.**

<sup>32</sup> And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. <sup>33</sup> Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

#### Next Steps

If you accepted the invitation of Jesus today to simply come, we invite you to come down to the front of the auditorium after the service and get a packet of information from one of the prayer team members. The packet will help you take the next step on your journey with Jesus.

#### Small Group Questions

- 1) What has life been like for you in the last 24 hours? Any significant moments?
- 2) Which part of “A Tough Day for Jesus” in this outline can you relate to the most? Why?
- 3) Of the 5 statements Jesus said to his disciples in Matthew 14:27-31, is there one you feel God is speaking to you right now? How will you respond?
- 4) What do you believe is the difference between worry and godly concern?
- 5) Is there a worry in your life right now that you could counteract with the truth, “Truly you are the Son of God”?
- 6) How can we pray for your right now and throughout the week?