

# Discussion Questions

## **INTRODUCTION**

Fear is something we all experience. Fear is a powerful emotion and can also be a mindset that colors the way we see the world and limits our opportunities. What can a faith mindset teach us so we can break free of fear.

## **GETTING STARTED**

1. What do you know about fear?
2. Describe a time when you acted contrary to your fear. What was the payoff? What was the cost?

## **BIBLE IDEA**

3. In Matthew 14:22-33, Jesus followers had many opportunities to be afraid. Put yourself in the story. What would have been your response to the storms, the supernatural, and the opportunity to step out onto the water?
4. How inclined are you to seek, allow, or speak of God doing things in supernatural ways? Have you experienced something in life that you'd characterize as God's supernatural activity? If so, describe it.
5. When Peter moved his attention away from Jesus, he fell victim to fear, and his progress was stalled. What are you fixated on that is cultivating fear? What would it mean for you to fix your attention on Jesus?

## **NEXT STEPS**

6. If you lived with greater faith this week, doing the impossible, what would you do? Are you ready to take action?

## **Called To The Impossible**

### **Rethinking Impossible #4**

#### **Matthew 14:22-33**

<sup>22</sup> Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup> And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup> but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup> And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. <sup>26</sup> But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup> But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." <sup>28</sup> And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup> He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. <sup>30</sup> But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." <sup>31</sup> Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" <sup>32</sup> And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup> And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

**The path \_\_\_\_\_ generally runs right through the gate**

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A. Don't be afraid of \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 13:6, Psalm 23:4,

B. Don't be afraid of \_\_\_\_\_.

Mark 6:51-52

C. Don't be afraid to \_\_\_\_\_.

Mark 6:51-52, Matthew 14:32-33