



IMMEDIATELY

Matthew 14:22-33

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- In this short section of scriptures, which tells a unique story of Jesus and his disciples, the word immediately is found three times.
- I say unique because even though it is recorded in Mark 6 and John 6, Matthew is the only writer that discusses Peter's involvement on this occasion.
- What do we learn from these "immediately" comments?

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HE MADE THEM GET INTO THE BOAT

- This directive follows hard on the heels of Jesus's feeding of the 5000.
- Why did he make them get in the boat?
 - Maybe so they could get away from the crowd?
 - Maybe so he could have some alone time to pray?

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- **Why did he make them get in the boat?**
 - **Or maybe, it was because they needed to go somewhere else to try and help people.**
 - **Marks says they were headed to Bethsaida. John says they were going to Capernaum. They landed in Gennesaret.**

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- When should we get going to help and save people?

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HE TOLD HIS DISCIPLES TO NOT BE AFRAID

- Between 3 a.m. and 6 a.m. as a tempest was tossing the boat in the middle of the sea, Jesus came walking to them.
- At first they were terrified and cried out in fear, “It is a ghost!”
- Jesus immediately said, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.”

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- When can you get comfort from Jesus for your fears and concerns?

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HE REACHED OUT HIS HAND TO PETER

- Peter makes an amazing request.
- He walks on the water until he takes his eyes off of Jesus. Once that happens and he begins to look at his surroundings, he becomes afraid and begins to sink.
- He cried out, “Lord, save me” and Jesus does.

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- When can you take hold of salvation?

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