

TAKE COURAGE! IT IS I. DON'T BE AFRAID

Matthew 14:22-36

Key Verse: 14:27

1. Read verses 22-23. Why had Jesus and the disciples come to that side of the lake? What had happened? What did Jesus do after feeding the crowd? What might he have prayed about?

2. Read verses 24-27. What happened to the disciples? What did Jesus do? How did the disciples react? What does this show about them? What did Jesus say? What was he teaching his disciples through this event?

3. Read verses 28-31. When Peter heard Jesus' voice, what did he say and do? What does this show about him? Why did he begin to sink? What did he do and what did Jesus do and say? What is revealed here about Peter?

4. Read verses 32-33. What did the disciples learn about Jesus? What do you think he was teaching them and Peter—and us through this event?

5. Read verses 34-36. How was Jesus received at Gennesaret? What can we learn about Jesus through these events? What spiritual lessons can we learn from him?