



Connect Group study

Jesus walking on water is an intriguing and powerful story. But how are we supposed to respond? In this study we'll look at this question and also glean from Peter's 'water-walking' experience.

Read John 6:16-24

Reflect

Q1. Read this story again quietly as individuals, trying to imagine every detail as it unfolds. Imagine you were in the boat. Describe to the group any insights or thoughts that you have.

Q2. Read verses 20-21 again.

- a. Why did Jesus say what He said do you think? Consider both parts of His statement.
- b. How would the disciples have felt towards Jesus at the end of verse 21?
- c. Have you ever felt similarly towards Jesus? Explain your answer. Do you regularly feel this way?

Q3. Read Matthew's account of the same story (Matthew 14:22-33). What extra lessons can we glean here?

Q4. Are you more like Peter, or the other disciples who stayed in the boat? Explain your answer.

Respond

Q5. Jesus is an incredible, awe-inspiring saviour – every bit the same today as He was in this story. How can we cultivate an attitude of awe for Jesus in our everyday lives?

Q6. Jesus called Peter to 'get out of the boat' and walk on water ie. To take a risk and trust Him. Is Jesus calling you to 'get out of the boat' in any area of your life?

Suggested memory verse(s):

But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." (John 6:20 NIV)