

GROUP

DISCUSSION GUIDE

April 30th, 2023

WARM UP

Read Matthew 14:26-29. When Jesus bid Peter to come to him he didn't calm the storm. Rather, he invited Peter out into the storm, into the rough seas. Why do you think Jesus did that? Pastor Jeff in his message asked, "How many times do you try to give reason to unreasonable circumstances?"

READ Matthew 14:22-36

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- ➤ Read Matthew 14:22-32. What personal challenges are you facing? What are you most fearful of, and why? In what ways has your trust in God been strengthened or challenged during this trial?
- Read Matthew 14:26-29. What is one thing in your life right now God might be asking you to surrender to him? How does knowing his love for you help you to do that?
- > Jesus came to the disciples in the midst of their dark night. What was His response to the fearful disciples (v. 27)? How has Jesus come to you during a stormy time?
- Read Matthew 14:28-31. What lesson did Peter learn about stepping out in faith? What can we learn from this about stepping out in faith? (see. James 1:2-6)
- Even though the disciples obeyed Jesus and got into the boat, they faced a storm. Can we face storms too in life even if we are obedient to the Lord? How did God honor the disciple's obedience? Does God honor our obedience too?

PRAY