



Small Group Discussion Guide

August 13, 2017

Sermon Title:

“Walking with Jesus”

Sermon Text: *Matthew 14:22-33*

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 7:9-12*

Leader: *Please allow a moment for introductions/visiting, and then have someone offer a brief prayer for God to meet with your group.*

Getting Started: Do you like to walk? For fun? For exercise? To see sights? Have you ever encountered something interesting or had a unique experience while on a walk? If so, tell the others in your group what it was.

Discussion:

- 1. Walk when you do not understand** (v 22). The disciples had just shared a miraculous experience with Jesus, and then he sends them away before it was over. How difficult is it to “walk” when we do not understand the plan for where you are going? Have you ever had to step out in faith like this? How did it turn out?
- 2. Walk even when you are afraid** (vs 26-27). This life is not an easy one. The bible makes it clear that we are in a dangerous land. How do you keep from letting fear paralyze you? What other promises does scripture hold that offer reassurance?
- 3. Walk when his call is clear** (vs 28-29). When we know very clearly that we have been called, walking on water becomes an easy step. When have you “walked on water with Jesus?” How do you go about clearly identifying a call from Jesus?
- 4. Walk and remember he will hold your hand** (vs 30-31). Jesus cannot hold our hand physically, but he does hold our hand. How does he do so? Have you experienced his hand holding? How? Have you been the hand of Jesus for another?

Closing: *Close by sharing pray requests. Also, everyone share the name of a friend. Pray for one other, your friends, and the requests that were shared.*

Go SHARE JESUS!