

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 6:16-21

Jesus Walks on Water

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JOHN 6

➤ Review

- The main **message** – Jesus does not just supply the bread of life, he is the bread of life.
- The main **purpose** – to reveal and form the faith of the disciples

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¹⁵ So Jesus, perceiving that they were intending to come and take Him by force to make Him king, withdrew again to the mountain by Himself alone. ¹⁶ Now when evening came, His disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ and after getting into a boat, they started to cross the sea to Capernaum. It had already become dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea began to be stirred up because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ Then, when they had rowed about three or four, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and drawing near to the boat; and they were frightened. ²⁰ But He said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." ²¹ So they were willing receive Him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

John 6:15-21

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➤ Interpretive Framework

- John includes this miracle uniquely for the disciples, revealing who Jesus is, to produce in them true faith

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I. The Power of Jesus

- The power of Jesus extends beyond the physical realm

Lesson 1:

- *The Lord's power is pervasive over our present realities*

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II. The Presence of Jesus

- Jesus provides his disciples with the most unexpected source of comfort – himself.

Lesson 2:

- *The abiding comfort through the storms of life is the Lord's presence with us (cf. Heb. 13:5-6)*

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III. The Presence of Jesus

- Jesus draws *away* from the crowds so that he might draw *near* to his disciples in order to reveal himself as the Son of God

Lesson 3:

- *Our greatest source of peace is the revelation of who Jesus is*