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Matt 14:22 - 36

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- 22** Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.
- 23** After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,
- 24** but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

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- 25 During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake.**
- 26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. It's a ghost, they said, and cried out in fear.**
- 27 But Jesus immediately said to them: Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid.**
- 28 Lord, if it's you, Peter replied, tell me to come to you on the water.**

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**29** Come, he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came towards Jesus.

**30** But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, Lord, save me!

**31** Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. You of little faith, he said, why did you doubt?

**32** And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.

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- 33** Then those who were in the boat worshipped him, saying, Truly you are the Son of God.
- 34** When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret.
- 35** And when the men of that place recognised Jesus, they sent word to all the surrounding country. People brought all their sick to him
- 36** and begged him to let the sick just touch the edge of his cloak, and all who touched him were healed.

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## ◎ The Pit . . .



# ADVERSITY

⦿ **John 16:33** In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

- ⦿ **Sin**
- ⦿ **Stupid decisions**
- ⦿ **Circumstances**
- ⦿ **Obedience**
- ⦿ **Matt 14:22**



# ADVERSITY

- ◉ Distress is not unique to us
- ◉ Ps 18:4 - 5
- ◉ Does God care?
- ◉ Mark 4:38 Teacher, don't you care if we drown?
- ◉ Where is Jesus? Matt 14:23
- ◉ Ps 18:6, Matt 14:30-31
- ◉ God's whisper amidst our trials



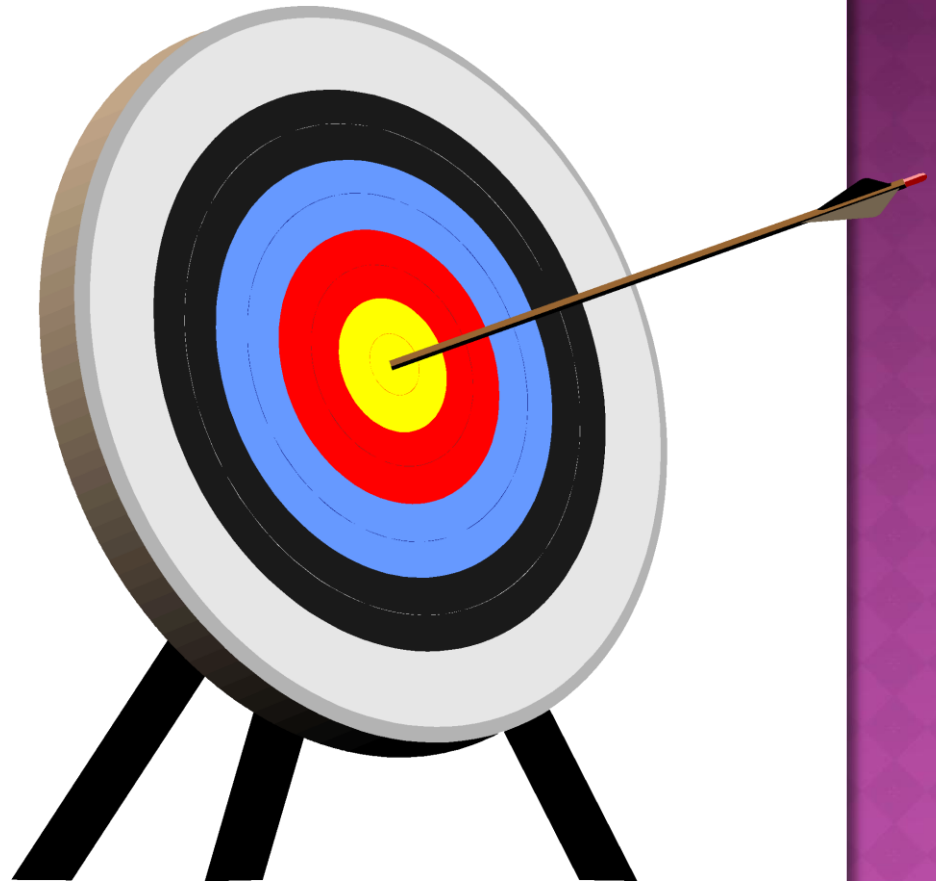
# ADVENTURE

- ◉ Matt 14:<sup>28</sup> Lord, if it's you, Peter replied, tell me to come to you on the water.
- ◉ Three miracles
- ◉ Only the 12 witnessed it
- ◉ Too good to be true
- ◉ Our adventures . . .
- ◉ Try . . .



# ACTUALITY

- ⦿ The actual ministry - before and after
- ⦿ Matt 14:14, 35
- ⦿ Matt 4:23
- ⦿ The main thing . . .
- ⦿ Mother Teresa



# CONCLUSION

- Heb 12:2
- Mat 14:27

***“Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”***

AMEN!