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WATER WALKERS

LESSON 6

TITLE: LEARNING TO WAIT ON OUR BIG GOD

No matter how fierce the storms are, how dark the caves we face in life, we have great hope in God.

Unfortunately, all of us don't live as if He is truly all knowing and all present.

At times we think our God is too small, and we're not convinced that we are safe in his hands.

Our lack of trust dramatically impacts how we live.

And because of that, it makes it challenging to step out by faith and wait on God.

By waiting on him, we learn valuable lessons about depending on him—faith, patience, obedience, and trust.

God is still looking for people who dare to trust him, refusing to let fear have the last word or be deterred by failure.

He is still looking for people who will respond and step out of the boat.

In our final session, I hope to challenge you to get out of the boat and find out what God has for you.

I want you to think about this in our last session; if there's anything that can keep you from getting out of the boat and trusting in God, what would it be?

Maybe it's comfort; perhaps it's security; maybe it's fear; maybe it's a relationship; maybe it's a job or a failure.

When you identify what that thing is that keeps you from getting out of the boat, then you can begin to pursue to conquer it.

When you get out of the boat, and step beyond all your inadequacies, and put your faith, hope, and trust in God, at that very moment, He is there.

Anybody that did anything throughout the word of God pushed back on their human frailty, pushed back on their fear, pushed back on their failures, and trusted God more than they trust in themselves at that very moment.

Moses, Joshua, Sampson, David, and the list goes on.

But they were up against all odds that they felt they could conquer because of God was in their lives.

Although Peter is the only one recorded about walking on water, these other examples of men did great exploits despite their fears and inadequacies.

So, as we begin to conclude our series of water walkers, what have you been failing to do because you were afraid and fearful that you could not do it?

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What boat have you been paralyzed in, what situation has caused you not to trust God, what environment have you been into where you felt you could not get out of the boat?

The series on the water walkers is to help teach us and train us how to have faith in our great big God that is bigger than all of the situations and obstacles that could come against us, and that would prevent us from living the life that he has for us.

My hope and challenge for all of us in this series are that you will have the courage to step out of the boat when the opportunity arises.

My hope as a pastor is that no one in this church is left in the boat because of fear or anxiety might bring them.

I release power upon you and your spirit to take authority over any storm, any setback, any concern that has happened to you and allow God to begin to help usher you out of the boat so you can see and feel his miraculous power and call of God on your life in the midst of a storm.