

Personal Study

For week of February 16, 2025

Use this resource to aid in your own personal time with the Lord this week. Each day, reread the same verses through the lens of one aspect of study (observation, interpretation, and so on). In reflecting deeply on His Word, we come to know Him better, trust Him more, and live transformed.



OVERVIEW: Matthew 14:25-33

In Matthew 14:25-33, Jesus walks on water toward His disciples, who are struggling against the wind and waves. Seeing Him, they are terrified, but Jesus reassures them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." Peter boldly steps out in faith but begins to sink when he focuses on the storm. Jesus rescues him, questioning his doubt. When they reach the boat, the wind ceases, and the disciples worship Jesus as the Son of God.

Where in your life is Jesus calling you to step out in faith, trusting Him more fully?

OBSERVATION: What Does the Text Say?

- What verses stuck out to you?
- What do you wonder? What do you notice?

INTERPRETATION: What Does the Text Mean?

- What did you learn about **God's character**, **gospel**, **commands**, and/or **promises**?
- For further study, read Colossians 1:15-17, Philippians 2:9-11, and Romans 10:9-10. What do these texts teach you about Matthew 14 and Jesus being Lord over every part of a Christian's life?

APPLICATION: What Action Will You Take?

- Are there sins to confess, examples to follow, or actions to take from this passage?
- How does this passage encourage you to trust God more?

REFLECTION: How Will You Abide In The Text?

- What is God showing you about Himself, and how will you respond?
- What verse can you memorize?
- What are some personal reflections you can journal?

CONVERSATION: How Will You Share This With Others?

- What question or insight do you need to share with someone this week?