



GOD'S REASSURING HOPE
John 6:16-21

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Good morning Church! No one can investigate his life without first coming to grips with the issue of the miraculous. The Gospels contain more than thirty miracles associated with the life and ministry of Jesus.

- At the very heart of the Christian faith and message lies a MIRACLE – the resurrection of Jesus. To deny the miraculous is to deny historic Christianity."

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"When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, **17** got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. **18** The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. **19** When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were frightened. **20** But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." **21** Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going."

1. Jesus Sees Their STRUGGLE and Comes ALONGSIDE Them. (v 16-19)

"You trampled the sea with your horses, the surging of mighty waters." **Habakkuk 3:15**

- "For whoever shall CALL upon the NAME of the Lord will be SAVED." *Romans 10:13*
- Jesus wants to TEST the disciples' FAITH.

"And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear." **Matthew 14:26**

2. Jesus reveals His DIVINE identity and His REASSURING Hope. (v 20-21)

*"God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.'" **Exodus 3:14***

- Out of FATIGUE and FRUSTRATION, the disciples could not grasp Jesus' CHARACTER and POWER.
- Disciples were blind to the PRESENCE of God and His CARE for Men.
- The full glory of the REVELATION of God is found in the face of CHRIST.
- Your HEART is the worship center of your SELF.

Will you recognize Jesus as God? As one who saves. Will you respond to Him with a hardness of heart or a contrite heart?

Salvation through Jesus Christ

*The single most important decision a person could ever make in their lifetime is to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. The Bible says, "all have sinned and fall short of God's glory" and we don't deserve eternal life because the wages of sin is death". Yet through God's love, only "Christ gives us eternal life by grace through faith"... it is a gift of God. God's word says, That if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD and believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead YOU WILL BE SAVED. **The Bible says to REPENT of your sins. BELIEVE in Jesus receiving His forgiveness.** Then, identify with Christ and start living a new life in obedience to God by being BAPTIZED.*