## Matthew 14:13-36

13~ He [Jesus] withdrew from there in a boat to a wilderness place by Himself; and when the people heard, they followed Him on foot from the cities.

**14** And when He went ashore, He saw a large crowd, and felt compassion for them and healed their sick.

**15** But when it was evening, the disciples came to Him and said, "This place is a wilderness and the hour is already far gone; send away the crowds, that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves."

16 But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away; you yourselves give them to eat!"

17~ But they said to Him, "We do not have [anything] here but five loaves and two fish."

18 And He said, "Bring them here to Me."

**19** And ordering the people to sit down on the grass, He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up toward heaven, He blessed [the food], and breaking [them] He gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples to the crowds,

20 and they all ate and were satisfied. And they picked up what was left of the broken pieces, twelve full baskets.

21 And there were about five thousand men who partook, besides women and children.

**22** And immediately He compelled the disciples get into a boat and go ahead of Him to the other side, while He sent away the crowds.

23 After He had sent away the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray; and when it was evening, He was there alone.

**24** But the boat was already a long distance afar from the land, tormented by the waves; for the wind was against [them].

25 And in the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea.

**26** When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out from fear.

27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take courage, it is I; do not be fearful."

28 Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is You, order me to come to You on the water."

**29** And He said, "Come!" And Peter got out of the boat, and walked on the water and came to Jesus.

**30** But seeing the wind, he became fearful, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!"

**31** Immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and took hold of him, and said to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?"

32 And when they went up into the boat, the wind stopped.

**33** And those who were in the boat worshiped Him, saying, "You are certainly God's Son!"

34 When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

**35** And when the men of that place recognized Him, they sent [word] into all that surrounding district and brought to Him all who were sick;

**36** and they implored Him that they might just touch the fringe of His cloak; and as many as touched were made whole.

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