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The Prophecy Fulfilled

Kingdom Life



- The Kingdom of God is like...
- John the Baptist has been martyred...
- And Jesus' response was healing and compassion
- You give them to eat!
 - What do we have we can offer Jesus for His use?

In the Storms...



- Eat and Run... (vs.22; See John 6:15)
 - Disciples are sent ahead of Him
 - He finally gets time to pray in private...healing!
 - We must always allow time for this
- Boat out in the Sea of Galilee...
 - Waves, contrary winds – 4 fisherman knew these waters



Taking stock!



- 4th watch of the night ~just before dawn!
- Jesus come walking on the water...
 - Many water miracles, but no one walks ON it!
 - Vs. 26 ~ fear, anguish, agitated, Jesus is dead!?
 - Physical, mental exhaustion clouds thinking...
- Take courage, stop being afraid

Peter steps out...



- Do we want to be with Jesus in the storms?
 - “if it is you” – and if its not???
 - A statement of trust – maybe... “COME!”
 - Walked on the water toward Jesus (29)



"But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. 'You of little faith,' he said, 'why did you doubt?'"

Matthew 14:22-31
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Keep your eyes on Jesus



- Peter does fine...
 - “seeing the wind” fear, sink, cry out!
 - Fear paralyzes our walk with Jesus! (1 John 4:18)
 - Jesus does not leave Peter... “why did you doubt?”
 - Jesus gets in the boat, storm stops...
 - Worship in the boat (33) certainty on the water...



Crowds waiting



- Gennesaret ~ 4 x 2 mile stretch of rich land
 - Touch the fringe ~ tassel, *tzitzit* 5 knots, 4 spaces
 - Made perfectly whole *diesothesan* means to be made whole through and through. A complete restoration takes place within the person. The person is completely cured, spiritually and inwardly, as well as physically and outwardly.