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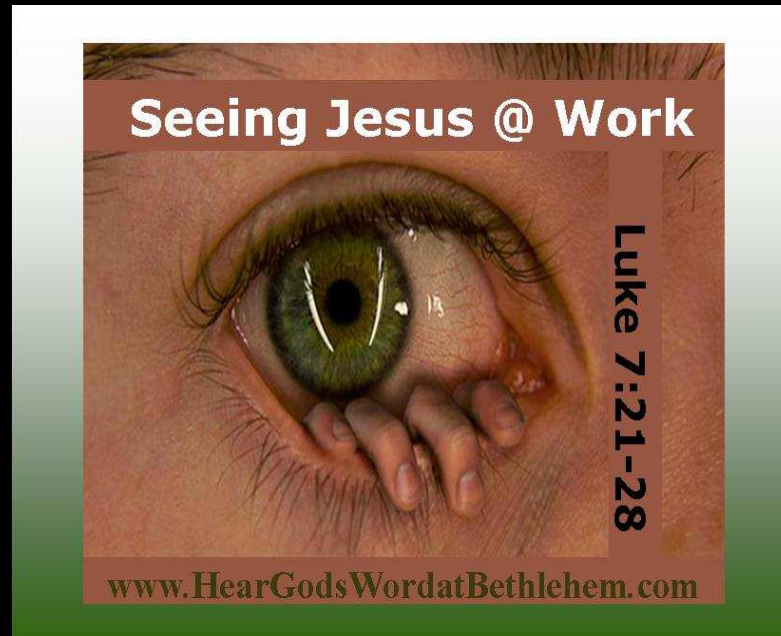
**Resolve: To Know Him (Jesus
Christ)! Philippians 3:10-16**





THE MONTH THE DISCIPLINE OF KEEP YOUR EYES

Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, **keep your eyes** on those who live as we do. Philippians 3:17





Keeping Your Eyes On Jesus

Matthew 14:22-33

"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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Matthew 14:22-33 NIV

- **²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and**

Matthew 14:22-33 NIV

- came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"
³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"
³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.³³ Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Matthew 14:22-33 NIV

- **²⁶ But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ²⁷ This is the one about whom it is written: “I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.”^[b] ²⁸ I tell you, among those born of women there is no one greater than John; yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.”**



- **Peter's Storm v.25-27**
- **Peter Sunk v.28-30**
- **Peter Saved v.31-33**

Thesis: Christ should keep their eyes on Jesus through the storms of life.

Keeping Your Eyes On Jesus

Peter's Storm v.24-27 ²⁴ and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. ²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

Act 27:13-15

- ¹³ When a gentle south wind began to blow, they saw their opportunity; so they weighed anchor and sailed along the shore of Crete. ¹⁴ Before very long, a wind of hurricane force, called the Northeaster, swept down from the island. ¹⁵ The ship was caught by the storm and could not head into the wind; so we gave way to it and were driven along.

Keeping Your Eyes On Jesus

Peter Sunk v.28-30 ²⁹ "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ **But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"**

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

John 14:27

Keeping Your Eyes On Jesus

Peter Saved v.31-33 ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" ³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.

He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.

Matthew 8:26

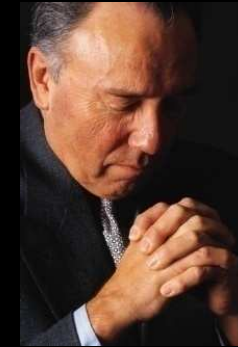
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Conclusion:



- **Thesis:** Christ should keep their eyes on Jesus through the storms of life.

Keeping Your Eyes On Jesus



- Decisions to make today!
- **Accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior**
- **Be baptized**
- **Join Bethlehem Baptist Church**
- **Ask for prayer**
- **Testify**
- **Ministry or Mission**

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