

# TREASURE QUEST

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY OF THE HEART



## YOU HAVE TO GET OUT OF THE BOAT

In Matthew 14, we read about one of the most amazing experiences that the disciples, and especially Peter, had with Jesus. Can you imagine what it must have been like for Peter in those first few moments after he stepped out of the boat? He was actually walking on water like Christ.

Faith is like that; we can see some pretty amazing things happen, but it only happens if we are willing to get out of the boat. Peter must have been scared to death to take that first step, but he did it anyway. If you want to see God work in your life during this Treasure Quest, the first step may seem a little like stepping out of the boat. It will probably be a step bigger than you think you can take. That's how God works. He wants you to be stretched so that you rely on Him.

Everything didn't go perfect for Peter, but he did find that when he fell, Christ was there to pick him back up. Are you ready for a spiritual adventure? Then it is time to step out of the boat?

- \* What step have you been holding back from out of fear?
- \* What step could you take in the area of giving that could stretch your faith?
  1. Start giving to God consistently if you are not already.
  2. If you are giving to God, begin tithing (10%) scripturally.
  3. Give above and beyond the tithe in a generous and sacrificial way.

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<sup>25</sup>During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. <sup>26</sup>When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>"But if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." <sup>29</sup>"Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" <sup>31</sup>Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

Matthew 14:25-31