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Scripture Lesson: Matthew 14:22-33

Title: You Are Never Alone”

**Introduction:** Why is it that in moments of desperation, he seems to be so far away, and we feel so much alone? The answer came as I meditated on Matthew chapter 14 about the disciples dealing with fear. Jesus came to them between 3:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. In this case, the issue was fear. When the disciples saw Him walking on the water, they were afraid thinking it was a ghost.



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Matthew 14:28, “Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.”

Matthew 14:30, “But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!”

A few things you can take home with you:

**1. If we keep our eyes on the storm instead of Jesus, we will sink.**



## **2. We must learn to cope with our fears.**

Cautious, by definition, is to be “careful about avoiding danger or risk.”

Fear, by definition, is “an emotion excited by threatening evil or impending pain, accompanied by a desire to avoid or escape; apprehension; dread; horror; alarm; dismay.”

Being cautious is different from walking in a state of fear.

## **3. We must learn to trust God in our darkest hour to hold our hand.**



**Conclusion:** How we respond to all the fears, darkness and concerns will make a difference in the outcome. We must remember that Jesus can calm a sea of trouble in our lives at any time. He can replace doubt with confidence. He can replace fear with assurance. Jesus is ready, willing, and able to prove that to us. And remember, “You Are Never Alone.” Amen!