

The Most Interesting Man in the World - The Man Who Walked on Water

We become what we focus on. What are some examples of this in your experience?

What happens to our perspective when we focus on our circumstances rather than the God of our circumstances? Why is it easiest for most people to focus on the circumstance rather than God?

Ray's message talked about the importance of remembering the hope we have in Jesus. What does it mean to you to mediate on Jesus? How can we become better at the practice of focusing and meditating on Jesus? Reading and reflecting on scripture is a great way but there are also other ways. What habits can we begin to implement in our lives that will bring Jesus to the focal point of our lives?

What fears are the COVID - 19 virus causing you to experience?

Read Matthew 22-25

In this passage Ray used the 4 D's to describe how the disciples felt

- Desolate (without resources)
 - All alone surrounded by people

- Hanging out with people but no one to really talk with
- How do you handle the loneliness of modern life? (100's of online friends but not so many in real life)
- Difficult
 - Seasoned fisherman yet tossed by the waves
 - What difficulties are you facing?
- Dark
 - The darkest time of the day
 - What dark period are you experiencing?
- Discouraging
 - The wind was contrary... working against them
 - What is discouraging to you today?

In verse 25 in the midst of the 4 D's, Jesus walked to them on the water. What does it say to you that in the middle of the 4 D's the disciples were experiencing, Jesus came to them? Where do you see that in your life or circumstances?

When we mediate on the messiah Ray said three things happen.

- 1. We hear clearly
- 2. We move courageously
- 3. We function calmly

How is God using the current crisis to grow your faith?

How will your life be different based on what you learned from the message this weekend?

Pray