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Matthew 14:22-36 Good News Translation

## Jesus Walks on the Water

<sup>22</sup>Then Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side of the lake, while he sent the people away. <sup>23</sup>After sending the people away, he went up a hill by himself to pray. When evening came, Jesus was there alone; <sup>24</sup>and by this time the boat was far out in the lake, tossed about by the waves, because the wind was blowing against it.

<sup>25</sup>Between three and six o'clock in the morning Jesus came to the disciples, walking on the water. <sup>26</sup>When they saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. "It's a ghost!" they said, and screamed with fear.

<sup>27</sup>Jesus spoke to them at once. "Courage!" he said. "It is I. Don't be afraid!"

<sup>28</sup>Then Peter spoke up. "Lord, if it is really you, order me to come out on the water to you."

<sup>29</sup>"Come!" answered Jesus. So Peter got out of the boat and started walking on the water to Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind, he was afraid and started to sink down in the water. "Save me, Lord!" he cried.

<sup>31</sup>At once Jesus reached out and grabbed hold of him and said, "What little faith you have! Why did you doubt?"

<sup>32</sup>They both got into the boat, and the wind died down. <sup>33</sup>Then the disciples in the boat worshiped Jesus. "Truly you are the Son of God!" they exclaimed.