

# Matthew 14:22-33; 15:29-31

## “Building Trust in Jesus”

- I. Overview of the section 14:1 – 16:20
  - A Herod’s opinion of Jesus 14:1-2
    - B Herod rejects John’s leaven 14:3-12
    - C Feeding the 5,000 14:13-21
      - D Strengthening the faith of the disciples 14:22-33
      - E Healing the people of Gennesaret 14:34-36
      - F Two distinct visions of man 15:1-20
      - E<sup>1</sup> Healing the woman of Canaan 15:21-28
      - D<sup>1</sup> Strengthening the faith of the crowds 15:29-31
      - C<sup>1</sup> Feeding the 4,000 15:29-39
      - B<sup>1</sup> Disciples warned of Pharisees’ & Sadducees’ leaven 16:1-12
  - A<sup>1</sup> Peter’s opinion of Jesus 16:13-20

### II. Focus on the disciples 14:22-33

Jesus sends the disciples away and withdraws (*cf.* 15:29; *See* 6:6)

Adverse weather – the fourth watch (after 3:00 am)

Jesus offers peace – “I am”

God walks on waves – Job 9:8; Hab 3:15

God stills storms – Ps 65:7; 89:9; 107:25-30

God saves the drowning – Ps 18:16; 144:7

The Twelve pay him honor (“Truly you are the Son of God.”)

### III. Focus on the multitudes 15:29-31

Jesus leaves Tyre and Sidon for the Sea of Tiberius (withdraws himself)

Jesus seats himself on a hillside and allows the multitude to come to him

Jesus heals the lame, blind, dumb and maimed

Note the mini-chiasm, in pairs (lame & blind; dumb & maimed)

The multitude glorify him (“The God of Israel”)

Jesus is Emmanuel – God with us!