

Come!

One of the most unique miracles in the Word of God that is shared between two people is walking on water. It was between Jesus and Peter.

The focus of this miracle is more than walking on water. It highlights how powerful the Word of God is. Peter did what He did because He had a Word from the Lord. This is not unique to Peter. If we have a Word from the Lord, it will grant us a lot of results.

Matthew 14:22-33 And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away. 23 And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there alone. 24 But the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary. 25 And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea. 26 And when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit; and they cried out for fear. 27 But straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, **Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.** 28 And Peter answered him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water. 29 And he said, **Come.** And when Peter was come down out of

the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus. 30 But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me. 31 And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, **O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?** 32 And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased. 33 Then they that were in the ship came and worshipped him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God.

Notice that Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship and go to the other side. This was the Word from the Lord that could get them to the other side. This was the Word that could have helped them stay afloat in the midst of the storm.

- a) The Lord knows that what we need to overcome any storm is the Word. He gave the disciples a word **"to go before him unto the other side."** He did not say go halfway and drown.

Why Cry out for fear? If it is a spirit, rebuke it. You have authority over it.

The disciples should have been expecting Jesus to come to their rescue.

Jesus had just said it is I, I want to believe they knew His voice and these statements they were different and with power.

- b) Peter did not just walk on water. He also walked on a Rhema Word (utterance) from God—A four lettered word and it was sufficient. He did not require a paragraph.

- i) He had a Word from the Lord—not a sentence or a paragraph, or a book. A simple Word mixed with faith

allowed Peter to walk on water for no reason. Seeing Jesus was not a reason to walk on water. Jesus had already revealed that it was Him and Peter already knew Jesus.

ii) **Do you have a word?** Don't just do what everyone else is doing. I believe you should search the scriptures and get yourself a Word for every season or situation you are cruising through.

iii) Jesus was afar off when Peter was walking toward Him. Peter started sinking about halfway to Jesus and by the time he was going down, he was in arms distance to Jesus for Him to be able to pull him up.

o Guess what? Did Jesus then carry Peter to the boat? I do not believe so. They walked to the boat because this all happened a distance away from the boat, not at the edge of the boat. Jesus did not pick Peter and throw him into the boat. They came to the boat together (Matthew 14:32). The point is Peter walked on water going to Jesus and returning with Him to the boat. He walked on water to and fro.

c) Peter started to sink as he focused on the waves and the sea.

i) Even if you have a Word from the Lord, if you quit looking at Jesus, you will sink. You need to keep your eyes on the Lord to stay afloat. **Having a Word from the**

Lord like Peter heard "Come" did not exclude faith. He had to stay in faith.

- d) You need to wait until you hear or get that Rhema Word before you step out. When you hear, faith rises to do that thing. Hearing and faith are very connected (Romans 10:17).
- e) Peter gets a lot of heat from many things he did and said but the truth is besides Jesus, there is no man that walked on water.
 - i) Peter did not just walk on water. He had a Word from the Lord. This is crucial to walking on water. Do you have a Word from the Lord before you do what you are wanting to do?

Romans 10:16-17 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? [17] So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

- a) **A common mistake that is made by some who claim to be in faith is act on a Word that God gave another person.** We need to get our own Word from the Lord which would be our Rhema Word and act on that alone.
- b) You can't just fake it to make it. It has to be real in your heart.

Examples of foolishness, not faith-acting or copying other people's actions as an act of faith.

A. Give away your car

I heard a story about a person that came to Church and testified that he had given away his car and God blessed Him with a better vehicle. Another believer who was believing God for a new car heard that and went and gave away his car thinking that he would get one, but nothing happened. Why? Because he was doing his own thing. He was copying another person's actions of faith to get the same results but did not have a Word or instruction from the Lord.

If the Lord has not told you, do not do it. Get a Word from the Lord. You will lose your car. That's called a loss, not giving.

There was a time when I was in school, and I scored very poorly. A friend of mine also scored poorly but higher than me. He was hurt and cried, but so did I since my results were not good.

Guess what, the next results he had scored much better than before, but this was not the case for me. I had still scored poorly. I thought crying is what would get me better results. It was a shame. This is what many believers are doing.

B. Walking on water—I heard a story of a young girl that was trusting God to walk on water, and she was a young believer that stepped out in a flood, and she was swept away and died.

a) You can't just wake up and desire to walk on water. It does not work that way. Jesus was not walking on water to impress. Before you step out to walk on water, make sure you have a Word from the Lord.

C. Eyeglasses—I have also heard a person was believing God to see perfectly. They wanted a 20/20 vision, but they did not have a Word from the Lord for doing just that. It became costly.

- a) You should not do anything from the Lord that you have no Word from the Lord for.

D. Medication/Pills/Tablets

I have also heard of another fellow who threw away her medicine thinking that would cause healing to happen to her. She heard a testimony of another person and what they did, but she did not have a Word from the Lord like the one who testified.

- a) Do not throw these away until you have a Rhema word.
- b) You need a Rhema. Your own—not mine, your pastor's Word or anyone's. According to faith.

Wait and hear a Rhema Word from the Lord and then act on that. Wait until it is quickened to you. Once you hear it, you will be at a place of faith to manifest your healing.

Put pressure on the promises and the Word of God—nothing and no one else.