

MARK 6:45-56

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THEME:

THE STRONG ARM OF GOD

TITLE OF OUR MESSAGE:

MISUNDERSTANDING THE MASTER

STORY:

"THE OLD COUPLE SITTING ON THE PORCH"

IN OUR HOME:

REBEKAH EXPRESSIONS

"YOU MISUNDERSTOOD YOURSELF"

MISUNDERSTANDING THE MASTER

A carry over from last weeks events,

we are told in

verse 52

*(For they had not understood about the loaves,
because of their hardness of heart)*

REMEMBER THE FOUR TYPES OF HEARTS

WE SAW LAST WEEK:

HERE AFTER A WONDERFUL DAY OF MINISTRY
SEEING 5,000 MEN (10,000 TO 15,000 TOTAL) FED
FIVE LOAFS & TWO FISHES

JOHN WARNS US

John 6:15 NIV

Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

" THE KING OF BREAD "

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TIME TO USHER IN A KINGDOM OF EASE

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THE PEOPLE MISUNDERSTOOD THE MESSAGE
AND THE MISSION OF **THE SUFFERING, SERVANT KING**

- VERSE 45 TO 46 = *THE MASTERS PLACE OF PREPARATION*
 - VERSE 47 TO 48 = *THE MASTERS PRIESTLY PASSION*
 - VERSE 48 TO 52 = *THE MASTERS LOVING POWER*
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1.) THE MASTERS PLACE OF PREPARATION	<i>vv. 45 & 46</i>
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VERSE 45

HE MADE.

GRK

WITH A STRONG WORD!!! OR A COMMAND

INTO THE BOAT

GRK ploion

SAILING VESSEL OR VEHICLE

" HERE IS A BEAUTIFUL PICTURE "

- PAUL'S WARNING
- GOD'S PUTTING IN OF NOAH

IN THE EARLY CHURCH THE *GATHER PLACE FOR THE CONGREGATION* WAS CALLED THE "NAVE" WHICH IN LATIN MEANS "BOAT"

SO HERE WE HAVE A PICTURE OF THE **INFANT CHURCH** SAILING IN THE STORM-TOSSED SEA OF LIFE.

VERSE 46

" *WHEN HE HAD SENT THEM AWAY, HE DEPARTED TO THE MOUNTAIN TO PRAY* "

REMEMBER IN CHAP 4

RIGHT ABOUT NOW, IF I WERE PETER, I WOULD START THINKING.....
" THIS HOLYLAND TOUR STUFF, THIS BIBLE CRUISE ALWAYS GETS US INTO A STORM!"

BLESSINGS ALWAYS PRECEED TESTING:



TESTING ALWAYS PRECEED BLESSINGS:



BLESSINGS ARE BALANCED BY BURDENS AND BATTLES

- THE BLESSING (CLEAR SKIES, SMOOTH SAILING)
- THE BATTLE (THEN COME THE STORMS)
- THE BLESSING (IS THAT JESUS IS PRAYING)

WE SEE EXAMPLES OF THIS :

ACTS 3&4
THE BLESSING COMES
THEN PERSECUTION BREAKS UPON THE
SCENE, WE OFTEN SEE THIS IN OUR OWN LIVES

I HAD A YOUNG MAN TELL ME RECENTLY I'VE NEVER GROWN MORE AND MORE TRIALS
AND TESTING

2.) THE MASTERS PRIESTLY PASSION vv. 47 &48

VERSE 47

Hebrews 7:25 NIV

Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

1 Timothy 2:5 NIV

*For there is one God and one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus,*

EVEN THE HOLY SPIRIT IS ON OUR SIDE

Romans 8:26 NIV

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express.

JOHN GOSPEL (17)

HIS PRIESTLY WORK IS ALSO SEEN IN

ACTS 7:56

STEVEN:

"Look," he said, "I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God."

VERSE 48 "THEN HE SAW THEM STRAINING "

Straining

GRK BASANIZO

TO BE FULLY TORTURED, PHYSICALLY, MENTALLY, AND EMOTIONALLY

Philippians 1:29 NIV

For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for him,

OBEDIENCE IS ALWAYS A STRUGGLE (EXCERSIZE TO GODLINESS)

- A.) ANY DEAD FISH CAN FLOAT DOWN RIVER,
BUT IT TAKES A LIVE ONE TO SWIM UPRIVER
- B.) LOOK WHERE OBEDIENCE GOT THESE GUY'S

• **NOTE THIS:** " AND WOULD HAVE PASSED THEM BY"

Job 9:8 NIV

He alone stretches out the heavens and treads on the waves of the sea.

WHY?

DOESN'T HE CARE?
DOESN'T HE LOVE ME?

HE'S NEAR (MORE THEN NEAR, HE'S INSIDE US)

EVEN IN THE DARKEST OF TIMES

NEWS PAPER LATELY

THE WORLD IS GETTING DARKER BY THE HOUR:

- 2740 KIDS RUN AWAY FROM HOME
- 2720 GIRLS BECOME PREGNANT
- 1282 WILL DELIVER
- EVERY 8 MIN. A GIRL IS RAPED
- 28 SEC. BURGLARY ACQUE
- 33 SEC. A CAR IS STOLEN
- TODAY AND EVERY DAY IN AMERICA 9 MILLION CANS OF BEER
- \$10 TRILLION A YEAR WILL BE SPENT ON PORNOGRAPHY
- ANNUALLY THE U.S.A. WILL BE THE NO.1 EXPORT / USER OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

Matthew 24:12 NRSW

Because of the increase of LAWLESSNESS, the love of many will grow cold,

3.) **THE MASTERS LOVING POWER** vv. 49 & 52

VERSE 49

1st.

HIS SAVING POWER WAS MIS-UNDERSTOOD

VERSE 49 cont.

Mis-understood because of *fear*

Mis-understood because of *fatigue*

Mis-understood because of *bitterness & anger & hurt*

YOU MAY HAVE ALL OF THE ABOVE;

- NOT A PSYCHIC
- NOT A FRIEND
- NOT THE PSYCHIC FRIENDS NETWORK

JESUS IS THE ANSWER

THE STORMS OF OUR LIVES ARE TO SERVE US

THEY ARE FOR OUR CORRECTION & DISCIPLINE
&
THEY ARE FOR OUR PERFECTING & DEVELOPMENT

THEY THOUGHT HE WAS **NOW HERE**

VERSE 50

(HERE MARK OMITTS PETERS SPACE WALK)

PETERS EVENT AS RECORDED IN MATTHEW 14 :

"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

PETER, WHO WAS ALWAYS OPENING
HIS MOUTH TO CHANGE FEET

**.....YOU'LL ALLOW ME TO DO SOME MAJOR
FAITH TESTING THING??? - THAT SOUNDS LIKE
SOMETHING JESUS WOULD SAY!!!**

Isaiah 43:2 NIV

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

Matthew 14:30 NIV

*But when he **SAW** the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"*

Psalm 32:6 NIV

*Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found;
surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him.*

HEY,

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU TOOK A WALK

Psalm 46:1-3

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, ³ though its waters roar and foam.

THIS VERSE IS MEANINGLESS, UNTIL YOU'VE CASTS YOUR SELF UPON HIS PROMISES

A PERSONAL CHALLENGE FROM THE LORD TO JACK

Daniel 11:32

but the people who know their God SHALL BE STRONG and will carry out great exploits.

VERSE 51

NOTE THE RESULT OF THE STORM:

MATTHEW TELLS US

*Then those who were in the **boat** (nave, church) **worshipped** him,
saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."*

BROUGHT TO THE PLACE OF: **TRUE WORSHIP**

BROUGHT TO THE PLACE OF: **CORRECT UNDERSTANDING**

HE COMES IN THE STORM, THROUGH THE STORM, BECAUSE OF THE STORM.....SO WE MIGHT LEARN HIS FAITHFULNESS

HE'S NOT A FAIR-WEATHER SAVIOR

VERSE 52

*"FOR THEY HAD NOT **UNDERSTOOD** ABOUT THE LOAVES
BECAUSE THEIR HEART WAS **HARDENED**"*

THE LIL' SUNDAY SCHOOL BOY AND HIS FAVORITE PARABLE
THE TEACHER ASKED JOHNNY...
WHICH ONE OF THE PARABLES IS YOUR FAVORITE
" **THE WHERE EVERYONE LOAFS & FISHS** "

APPLICATION

HEY JACK, THAT'S WHY I WONT STEP OUT BECAUSE I COULD GET HURT....

- YES, IF YOU NEVER CLIMB A MOUNTAIN
YOU'LL NEVER SKIN YOUR KNEE, THAT'S TRUE
YOU'LL NEVER SEE THE VIEW
- YES, IF YOU NEVER SWING THE BAT YOU'LL NEVER STRIKE OUT
YOU'LL NEVER HIT A HOME RUN EITHER
- YES, IF YOU NEVER GET INTO THE BOAT YOU'LL NEVER GET WET
BUT YOU'LL BE LEFT ALONE ON THE SHORE !!!

**JESUS IS OUT THERE, HE'S ON THE EDGE, HE'S BOLDLY GOING
WHERE NO MAN HAS GONE BEFORE**

WHY DIDN'T THEY RECOGNIZE THE LORD?

- THEY DIDN'T EXPECT HIM (VERSE 49 & 51)

"HOW CAN GOD BE IN THIS?"

Isaiah 55:6 NIV

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

(VERSE 52)

Psalm 145:18 NIV

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Psalm 91:15

*He will call upon me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him*

- THEY DIDN'T UNDERSTAND HIM (VERSE 52)

HARDENED HEART

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to callous, rigid, stupid of heart

2 Timothy 1:12 NIV

*I have known whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is
able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day.*

IN CONCLUSION

WE NEED TO ASSOCIATE OURSELVES WITH THESE EVENTS:

- WE NEED TO BE **PRAYING;**
DRAWING THAT SOURCE OF STRENGTH & PEACE
FROM THE FATHER WHO ENABLES US
- WE NEED TO BE **WALKING;**
WALKING WITH HIM IN THE WORD,
THROUGH THE STORMS. (JOHN WAYNE NIGHT)

- WE NEED TO BE **WORSHIPPING**;
WORSHIPPING HIM FOR WHO HE IS, THANKING
HIM FOR WHAT HE DOES
- WE NEED TO **WATCHING**;
WATCHING AND EXPECTING HIM

*WE ARE TO BE IN THE BOAT, WEATHERING THE STORMS
WAITING FOR HIM WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS!!!*

OR

ARE YOU TOO BUSY TO EVEN LISTEN THIS MORNING

maybe

YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN OF YOUR OWN SHIP

I WANT TO ASK YOU..... CAN YOU WALK ON WATER?