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Move from _____ to _____

Move from **Fear** to **Faith**

Matthew 14:22–33 (HCSB)

Immediately He made the disciples get into the boat and go ahead of Him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowds. ²³ After dismissing the crowds, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone. ²⁴ But the boat was already over a mile from land, battered by the waves, because the wind was against them. ²⁵ Around three in the morning, He came toward them walking on the sea. ²⁶ When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified. "It's a ghost!" they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷ Immediately Jesus spoke to them. "Have courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's You," Peter answered Him, "command me to come to You on the water." ²⁹ "Come!" He said. And climbing out of the boat, Peter started walking on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the strength of the wind, he was afraid. And beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out His hand, caught hold of him, and said to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ Then those in the boat worshiped Him and said, "Truly You are the Son of God!"

1. **LIVING IN FEAR LEADS TO _____ vv 24-26**

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- _____ in life can set us up for fear.
- In the midst of confusion, it is easy to succumb to fear.
- We must find ways to move _____ from fear, even in troubled times.

2. **LIVING BY FAITH LEADS TO _____ vv 27-28**

Immediately Jesus spoke to them. "Have courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's You," Peter answered Him, "command me to come to You on the water."

- A word from God brings _____.
- Faith comes easier when we know God has spoken.
- Faith that produces courage inspires _____.

3. **FEAR = EYES ON _____ vv 29B-30**

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- Fear will _____ with us if we are focused on our circumstances.
- Action can look like courage until fear takes over.
- Move from gazing to _____ at your circumstances.

4. **FAITH = EYES ON _____ vv 31-33**

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- When we trust in God, He will _____ us from our troubles.
- Faith is multiplied when we fix our eyes on Jesus.
- When it comes to facing _____ in this life, move from fear to faith.

The Next Step:

Move from fear of your circumstances to faith with your eyes on Jesus.