



PURSUE: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word

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Lecture Notes

John Lesson 6

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“Lord, Save me!” (from little faith)

Jesus has something to say to anyone who would follow him about little faith.

- *Jesus uses this phrase in the NT/ each time as a rebuke for failing to*
- *"Little-faith" (3640 /oligóπιστος) describes someone dull to hearing the Lord's voice or disinterested in _____ with Him.*
- ☐ *Matthew 6:30 “And will he not much more clothe you? O you of little faith!”*
- ☐ *Matthew 8:24-26 “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?”*
- ☐ *Matthew 14:31 “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?”*
- ☐ *Matthew 16:8 “**Do you remember**, my twelve how I fed thousands from a few leftover loaves. O you of little faith, why are you discussing among yourselves the fact that you have no bread?”*

The disciples that collected the leftover baskets of bread have quickly forgotten who they are following.

Let's look at Peter/Read Matthew 14:22-33

Little faith trusts enough to get out of the boat, but then _____ the whole idea. For example, my head nods in agreement that God is trustworthy but sometimes my heart hesitates at His requests.

“That is always the trouble with weak faith, it comes back again to questions which it has already solved and answered.” - Martin Lloyd-Jones

Peter makes a confession of Christ in Matthew 16:16 but then denies him 3 times in Matthew 26:69-75.

Why did Peter walk on water? To go to Jesus.

Why did Christ call him out? Matthew Henry suggests two reasons:

1. *To know Christ's _____ (“but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.” 2 Peter 1:16)*

2. To know his own weakness

Why did he doubt? (Strong's 1365) – to waver, doubt, hesitate

Peter lacked _____ in Christ. Perhaps Jesus was implying - “O you of little faith in me.”

The _____ was growing Peter's little faith into great faith.

“Great faith is never blind faith. It sees the waves, feels the wind, hears the thunder, tastes the rain. But then great faith goes further and, above all of these, senses something more: Great faith _____ a _____!” - Scott Hubbard

You may be experiencing wave upon wave of trouble. Take all your troubles to Him. “I trust all of this in your hands.”

♦ *Waiting requires patient trust.*

Question to reflect on:

What doubts send me _____?

Someone far greater than the storm is here.