



PREACHING CURRICULUM

Fear's Cure
Matthew 14:22-36

“Fearlessness is found in the presence of the fearless Christ.”

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

How does the world deal with fear, and what do they pursue as the cure to fear? What is the contrast between the response we see in Peter and that of the crowds? How and why are their faith/fear response so different? _____

Why did Jesus insist that the crowds disperse and the disciples get into the boat, creating separation? Why did He allow them to struggle? What is the lesson here? _____

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What are you prone to fear? What have you been afraid of for a long time in your life? _____

Have you ever compromised your values or went against your conscience because you feared something, or someone? Think of a time when fear kept you from walking in faith. Why do you think you compromised in that moment? What lesson was the Lord seeking to teach you? _____

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

What fear must you overcome in Jesus' strength in order to obey Him? What does obedience look like in your current situation? *List 3 or 4 ways you can take steps of obedience this week and share them with your group.* _____

How can you look to Jesus and trust His presence in your life even when there is difficulty? How will what you believe to be true about who God is shape the direction in which you walk this week? *For your personal study and benefit: If there are areas of "stinking thinking" that need to be addressed, list them, confess them, and focus on what faith-filled obedience needs to look like this week so that you don't "sink" in fear.* _____

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

How will your faith drive you to worship Christ and restore what's been broken? What commitment needs to be made this week so that your eyes stay fixed on Christ? _____

5 PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

DATE: _____

PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT