

Seek:

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As you join this discussion, let the Holy Spirit guide you. Share your thoughts and reflect on the message. Work through the guide by reading Scripture and answering a few questions.

Open Up

- What are a few of your favorite hobbies?

Read Together:

Matthew 6:33

But **seek first his kingdom** and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Matthew 6:25 & 27

"Therefore I tell you, **do not worry about your life**, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?..... **Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life?**

Matthew 6:30

...you of little faith?

Hebrews 12:1-2

...**let us throw off** everything that **hinders** and the **sin** that so easily **entangles**. And let us **run with perseverance** the race marked out for us, **fixing our eyes on Jesus**...

Matthew 14:24

and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, **buffeted** by the waves because the **wind** was against it.

Matthew 14:25-27

Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, **walking on the lake**. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were **terrified**. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in **fear**. But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! **It is I**. Don't be afraid."

Matthew 14:28-29

"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "**tell me to come to you** on the water." "**Come,**" he **said**. Then Peter got down out of the boat, **walked on the water** and came **toward Jesus**.

Matthew 14:30

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

Matthew 14:31

Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and **caught him**. "**You of little faith,**" he said, "**why did you doubt?**"

Discuss Together:

Scott asked two simple yet challenging questions at the end of his message. How would you answer them?

- What does that repentance look like?
- What do I need to repent from?

Discuss the message further:

- What does it mean to "seek first His kingdom," and how does it impact your daily life?
- How do worry and fear affect your ability to trust God, and how can you surrender control to Him?
- What distractions or "waves" in your life keep you from fixing your eyes on Jesus?
- How does repentance—turning away from sin—play a role in pursuing a deeper relationship with God?
- What motivates your actions more: your affections or your pursuit, and how do they shape who you are?

Pray:

How does this challenging message lead you to pray?