

Courageous Christianity #1
From Fear to Faith
Matthew 14:22-33

For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love and self discipline. ~ II Timothy 1:7

Introduction: We read in Genesis 3 that after sin enter the heart of Adam and Eve, a spirit of **FEAR** began to dominate their hearts and minds. This battle with fear continues to this day among the children of Adam and Eve, AKA you and me, but in Christ we can win over fear!

The Key: **LIVING** our lives in the Spirit of God's power, love and self-discipline. Yes, but how?

I. In Defense of Peter:

- Only one guy left his **COMFORT** zone.
- At least he walked on water...temporarily.

II. The Fear Factor.

- Forget **Everything And Run**.
- **False Evidence Appearing Real**.
† The new normal: **WALK** on water!

III. Courage to Follow God's Leading.

- If it **GRIPS** you its a leading.
- If it **COSTS** you its a leading.
- If it **INESCAPABLE** its a leading.

Conclusion: it's time to nail our fears to the Cross of Jesus!