

August 13, 2017  
**“Wimps or Water Walkers”**  
**(Matthew 14: 22-33)**

If you have ever been \_\_\_\_\_, you can sympathize with poor Simon Peter.

\_\_\_\_\_ is, a universal emotion. Everybody is afraid of something.

According to psychologists, we are born with two fears: Fear of \_\_\_\_\_ noises and fear of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Fear is a universal emotion. Many of us, unfortunately, are \_\_\_\_\_ by our fears.**

We can be \_\_\_\_\_ by fear.

Here's what we need to see:

**Jesus doesn't want us to be \_\_\_\_\_ to fear.**

Jesus doesn't want fear to rob us of our \_\_\_\_\_, or our \_\_\_\_\_ as his followers.

If there is one thing many of us need, it is more \_\_\_\_\_ and less fear.

**Think what Jesus could do with Christian people with \_\_\_\_\_ and courage.**

Being a follower of Jesus isn't for \_\_\_\_\_. It's for those who are \_\_\_\_\_ to do whatever it takes to bring in Christ's kingdom.

Throughout the Gospels, Simon Peter is more like a \_\_\_\_\_ than a rock.

Peter wants to walk on water, but at the first sign of trouble, he gives in to \_\_\_\_\_ and begins to \_\_\_\_\_.

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After Pentecost, Jesus got more out of Simon Peter. Peter became a \_\_\_\_\_ for the early church.

Like his Lord, Peter was crucified, except that Peter was crucified \_\_\_\_\_ because he didn't feel worthy to be crucified the same way as Christ.

Who are the people in this church who are ready to take their \_\_\_\_\_ to another level and give their \_\_\_\_\_ to the service of His kingdom?

**Dallas Willard: “The leading assumption in the American church today...is that you can be a Christian but not a disciple.”**

To be a Christian is to be a \_\_\_\_\_!

Christianity is not a mere \_\_\_\_\_ club that you join because all your friends have.

Neither is it a club for people who are merely fans of this man Jesus. Jesus wants \_\_\_\_\_, not fans!

He wants people who will walk in his \_\_\_\_\_. He wants people who will deny \_\_\_\_\_ and take up their \_\_\_\_\_ and follow Him!

Can He count on you?

Are you a person of courage and conviction who will give your best to serving Him?