# TRANSFORMED: FROM FEARFUL TO FAITHFUL John 6:16-21, Matthew 14:22-33

But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out His hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped Him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God.

-Matthew 14:30-33

John 6:16-18, Matthew 14:22-24 Jesus allows His people to
move through difficult circumstances.

The temptation -

The test -

John 6:19-20, Matthew 14:25-30 Jesus enables His people to have victory in difficult circumstances.

The fear –
The faith -
The failure -
John 6:21, Matthew 14:31-33 Jesus sanctifies His people through difficult circumstances.
The rebuke -
The response -

### Small Group Homework

#### Getting to Know You

1. The Israelites ate manna in the wilderness for forty years. If you had to eat the same thing every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?

#### Into the Bible

2. Read Deuteronomy 18:16-20. What was the people's responsibility to that prophet? The Jews recognized in John 6:14 that Jesus was that prophet. How did their behavior in the rest of the chapter measure up to those responsibilities?

3. The two signs in John 6 can't be separated. Psalm 95:7-11 describes the generation that lived on manna in the wilderness. How does their reaction match that of the Jews to Jesus' words about the bread of life? How is Peter's reaction different?

## Application

4. Jesus sent Peter and the others into a storm, so they had seen one more miracle than the Jews before he tested them in John 6:67. The Jews asked for another sign In John 6:30-31. Do you sometimes ask for new miracles before you will trust God? Share with the group ways that we can learn to trust God in difficult circumstances.

5. Has God given you a personal sign miracle like walking on water? Share it with the group to help build their faith too.