



September 21 – Unraveled by Uncertainty – Peter Sinks in the Water

Have you ever felt like you were sinking? Things were great and then suddenly, you're just trying to breathe. What do we do when uncertainty and doubt flood our lives? Join us this weekend as we let Peter's story of unraveling confidence draw us to what we can do when our confidence is unraveling.

Scripture:

Psalm 91:1-2,4 NLT

Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. ²This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him. ⁴He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.

Matthew 14:22-31 NLT

²² Immediately after this, Jesus insisted that his disciples get back into the boat and cross to the other side of the lake, while he sent the people home. ²³ After sending them home, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. Night fell while he was there alone.

²⁴ Meanwhile, the disciples were in trouble far away from land, for a strong wind had risen, and they were fighting heavy waves. ²⁵ About three o'clock in the morning Jesus came toward them, walking on the water. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. In their fear, they cried out, "It's a ghost!" ²⁷ But Jesus spoke to them at once. "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!" ²⁸ Then Peter called to him, "Lord, if it's really you, tell me to come to you, walking on the water." ²⁹ "Yes, come," Jesus said.

So, Peter went over the side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the strong wind and the waves, he was terrified and began to sink. "Save me, Lord!" he shouted.

³¹ Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. "You have so little faith," Jesus said. "Why did you doubt me?"

Questions:

- What has unraveled and/or is unraveling in today's story of Peter?
- What are the results of the unraveling?
- How is God working in the midst of the unraveling?
- What might you learn from this unraveling?

Reading for the Week:

- **Monday:** Corinthians 1:3-4
- **Tuesday:** Matthew 11:28-30
- **Wednesday:** Psalm 121
- **Thursday:** Deuteronomy 31:6-8
- **Friday:** Romans 15:13