

Living Faith

A Faith that Sparkles with
Joy, Hope and Love

A large crowd of people is gathered on a grassy hillside, sitting on the ground or on chairs. The crowd is diverse in age and appearance, and they are all looking towards the right side of the frame. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. The image is partially obscured by a dark blue overlay on the right side, which contains white text.

Mat 14:14-16

When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick.

As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a remote place, and it’s already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.”

Jesus replied, “They do not need to go away. **You give them something to eat.**”

Mat 14:17-18

We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,” they answered.

“Bring them here to me.” he said.

God works through ordinary people.



Mat 14:19-21

19 And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. 20 They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. 21 The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Choose the voice of
the Redeemer

He is able to turn
our little
into
MUCH.



Mat 14:22+

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.

After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray.

Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.



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.”

“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.

But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him.

“You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?”

Why did you doubt?

Mat 14:32-33

And when they climbed into the boat,
the wind died down.

Then those who were in the boat
worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are
the Son of God.”

Isaiah 43:19

See, I am doing a new thing!

Now it springs up; do you not perceive
it? I am making a way in the wilderness
and streams in the wasteland.

James 1:5-8

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.



“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

Mat 11:28-30

God uses ordinary people.
Keep your eyes on Jesus.
He is doing a new thing!



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