Signs: "Walking on Water" | Discussion Questions 7.26.15

Do you have a Bucket List? Share something that you have accomplished on your Bucket List. Share something you have yet to do on your Bucket List.

John has used the word "signs" throughout his gospel. This week's sermon stated, "Signs are not just a wow moment but they are also an 'aha' moments." What does this mean?

Read John 6:14,15. What did the people want to do because of the sign in John 6:1-14? Does Jesus response in John 6:15 surprise you?

Why do you think Jesus withdrew away from the crowds? When do you withdraw from the busyness of your world?

Read John 6:17. Have you ever had times of darkness when Jesus doesn't seem to be there? What are some times in life that people can experience that feel like darkness without Jesus?

Do you think Jesus knew that the disciples would experience darkness, wind and waves? If so, why would he tell them to go across the lake knowing they would face hard times?

This is not the first time the disciples have been on a boat in a storm with Jesus. Read Mark 4:35-41. What do you think they learned about Jesus and storms from this incidence?

Read John 6:18-20. The Greek translation for "It is I. Do not be afraid." is "I am. Fear not." What do the phrases "I am" and "fear not" remind you of? Where do we find those phrases said elsewhere in the Bible?

John 6:21 says, "The disciples were eager to let him in the boat and immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading." (NLT). What is the difference between being eager or willing to let Jesus into your boat?

What does this "sign" in this account from John teach you about Jesus?