

“Truly You are The Son of God”

Matthew 13:53-14:36

Key Verse: 14:33

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1. Read 13:53-58. After teaching in parables, where did Jesus go and what did he do? For what reason did his hometown people take offense at him? Why could Jesus do no mighty works in his hometown?
2. How did Herod respond to Jesus and his ministry? (14:1-2) How was John the Baptist killed? (3-12) How might people under his rule and John's disciples have suffered? Why might Jesus want some time alone? (13a) How were his plans thwarted? (13b)
3. Read verses 14-16. What was Jesus' mind toward the crowd and why? (14a) How did he serve them? (14b) As evening approached, what did the disciples suggest? (15) What did Jesus command? (16) What was Jesus teaching his disciples through this?
4. Read verses 17-21. How did the disciples respond? (17) What did Jesus do with the five loaves and two fish? (18-21) What did the disciples learn? How did it recall God's feeding his people in the past? (Jn 6:31; Ex 16:4) How does it anticipate a future event? (Isa 25:6; Lk 13:29) How does it point to Jesus' Messiahship?
5. Read verses 22-26. After sending the disciples ahead of him and dismissing the crowd, what did Jesus do? What happened to the disciples? When and how did Jesus go to them? How did the disciples respond? What made them so fearful?
6. Read verses 27-33. How did Jesus comfort them? What did Peter try to attempt? Why did he begin to sink? How did Jesus save Peter and what did he teach him about faith in Jesus? Through two events, how did the disciples' eyes open to see who Jesus really is? What was their confession? (33)
7. Read verses 34-36. How was Jesus recognized at Gennesaret? Upon recognizing him, what did people do? How does this show us the spread of Jesus' Messiahship to the surrounding country? What should we learn from the events in this chapter?