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a: the storm

Matthew 14:22-33

²² Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away ²³ And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now <u>when evening came</u>, He was alone there.

²⁴ But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary.

²⁵ Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. ²⁶ And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear.

²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid."

²⁸ And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water."

²⁹ So He said, "<u>Come</u>." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus.

b: come to me

Matthew 11:28-30

²⁸ <u>Come to Me</u>, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

John 17:22-23

²² And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: ²³ I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.

Matthew 14:22-33

³⁰ But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!"

³¹ And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

c: boisterous winds

Matthew 13:22

²² Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the <u>cares of this world</u> and the <u>deceitfulness of riches</u> choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful.

Psalm 42:2-4

² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?

³ My tears have been my food day and night, while they continually say to me, "Where is your God?"

⁴ When I <u>remember</u> these things, I pour out my soul within me.

Matthew 14:22-33

 $^{\rm 33}$ Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

d: having been with Jesus

Acts 4:13

¹³ Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marvelled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus.