



**Sunday, May 24, 2009: John's Gospel:
The Sign of Transcendence**

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Scripture: John 6:16-24

Sermon Notes:

1. Jesus perceived that they would take Him by force and make Him King.
2. If Christ is enthroned by man, He can be de-throned by man. In refusing man's coronation, He affirms His kingship emphatically.
3. The people and even disciples saw Jesus in terms of what He performed, not in terms of His identity.
4. This desire for Jewish political kingdom is the context of Jesus walking on the water.
5. The darkness symbolizes losing sight of the light of Christ and being tossed by doubts and fears.
6. Jesus' walking on water was a genuine miracle, not a misperception by the disciples of Jesus walking on the beach. The disciples were seasoned fishermen, not ignorant liberal academics in their studies.
7. Jesus has total and complete control of all of nature.
8. The King of the universe is treading under His feet all fear, all confusion, all doubt, and all our enemies.
9. Literally, in verse 20 the Greek reads: "It is I AM, do not be afraid."
10. Immediately, the boat reaches their destination. Peter says: Who is this man that even the winds and waves obey Him?
11. When we accept Christ into all of our circumstances we can totally trust Him to take us to the right destination.
12. Amidst all the lies, trials, and troubles of this world (euthanasia, rapid advance of other religions, Gnostic

teachings, etc.), Jesus speaks to His children and says "It is I AM, do not be afraid." All the nations before Him are nothing.

Application Questions:

1. How does Psalm 107:29 prepare us the events in John 6?
2. Why did Jesus reject the crowd's desire to coronate Him?
3. What is the extent and character of Christ's Kingship as described in Psalm 2:10-12?
4. See John 19:5-16. How does Jesus respond when Pilot asks Him where He was from? In regards to Christ's kingship, what is significant about Jesus' response here?
5. When we approach Christ as King, do we come to Him on His terms or ours?