

Lesson 31: John 6:16-21

1. Chapter 6 Theme: _____

2. Sign #5: Ties together the themes of the five previous chapters!

a. A Picture of _____, Part 1:

1) Read Matthew 14:22-23 and John 6:16-17:

- a) Why did Jesus send the disciples away?
- b) What was Jesus doing while the disciples were gone?

2) Read John 6:18:

a) The wind plays a key role in this picture because it represents the cause of all the turmoil that's about to happen. What do we know about the wind?

1- It is _____. We do not know where it comes _____ or where it _____.

2- It is all _____ us.

3- It is always blowing _____.

4- It can come up without _____.

5- It usually starts _____ and then builds in _____.

6- Even though it is invisible, we can _____ it and _____ it.

7- We can also _____ its results.

8- The wind is the most _____ on earth. More folks are killed or injured in _____ such as _____ and _____ than any other natural force.

b) This is a perfect description of sin because the wind in this picture is symbolic of sin:

1- Sin is _____ to lost people. They are in the dark where they cannot see it. This must be so, because if they could see what their sin is going to do to them, they would do something about it.

- 2- Sin is all _____ us: “For all have sinned” (Romans 3:23).
- 3- Sin is always working _____: “Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come” (Matthew 18:7).
- 4- It can come up without _____. As a matter of fact, Paul warns us about this in 1 Corinthians 10:12: “Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.”
- 5- It starts _____ and then builds in _____ just like cancer in the body and moral decay in the society of our nation.
- 6- Believers _____ and _____ the results of sin, and most often it is the sins of unbelievers that we are _____ and _____.
- 7- We also _____ the results of sin.
- 8- Finally, sin is the most _____ _____ in the universe: “For the wages of sin is death” (Romans 6:23).

3) *Read* John 6:19, Matthew 14:24, and Mark 6:48:

a) What is the result of this “great wind that blew”?

- 1- We see a small open boat in the _____ of the _____ at 3 o’clock in the morning.
- 2- In complete _____, the boat is being _____ around by the 5 to 10 foot waves that are crashing against it.
- 3- _____ is probably _____ into the boat from the splash of the waves.
- 4- The disciples are being _____ around and _____ against each other and against the hard wooden sides of the boat.
- 5- Mark tells us in his Gospel that they are “toiling” or literally being _____ by this “great wind”.
- 6- The disciples have been rowing now for approximately ___ to ___ hours, and they have only gone ___ to ___ miles of a ___ to ___ mile trip. They are getting _____ fast!

b) What picture is being painted at this point?

- 1- All people _____ from Jesus face the same problem that these disciples are facing, which is that they have no _____ from the _____ in their lives.
- 2- Unbelievers are _____, in the _____, and in _____ because of their sin.
- 3- Their _____ and _____ lives are in jeopardy.

b. Homework: Study Mark 6:48 and answer this question: Why was Jesus ready to walk right past the disciples? Study Mark 6:49-50 and John 6:20 and answer these questions: Why were the disciples troubled? Why were they afraid?