

FAITH OVER FEAR

Take a little time to review this week's sermon. Using your sermon notes and your Bible, answer the following questions before the group meeting.

Write out your answers so you'll feel more comfortable sharing them with the group. Have a great time!

I. Getting to Know You

How did you experience God working in your life this week? How can we pray for you?

II. Digging Deeper

1. Fear and Faith: In Matthew 14:30, Peter began to sink when he saw the wind and became afraid. What are some “winds” in your life that have caused you to lose faith, and how did you respond?
2. The Nature of Fear: The sermon mentioned that fear is natural and universal. How do you typically respond to fear—do you run, fight, or freeze? How do you think God wants you to respond?
3. Faith as Confidence: Hebrews 11:1 defines faith as “confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.” What’s an example in your life where you had to trust God despite not seeing the outcome?

4. Jesus in the Storm: The disciples were terrified when they saw Jesus walking on water. Why do you think they struggled to recognize Him in the storm? How can we learn to recognize Jesus in the storms of our own lives?
5. Pride vs. Dependence: The sermon highlighted how pride tells us to handle things alone, but faith calls us to depend on God. In what areas of your life do you struggle with pride instead of relying on God?
6. Faith Over Fear in Action: What is one practical way you can choose faith over fear this week?

III. Making it Personal

7. Head vs. Heart: The sermon pointed out that there is a big difference between knowing about God in our heads and truly trusting Him in our hearts. How can we ensure our faith moves from knowledge to transformation?
8. Encouraging Others: Who in your life needs encouragement to walk in faith rather than fear? How can you be intentional about helping them trust in God this week?

IV. Prayer