

THE GREAT WENCHOSTER BIBLE
MATTHEW 14: 22-33

22. And straightway Jesus constrained His disciples to get into a ship, and to go before Him unto the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And the people muttered saying, So, we have to walk?
23. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up unto an high mountain apart to pray: and when the evening was come, He was there alone. And it came to pass that He hungered, so He took to himself a barley loaf and some cooked tuna wrapped in palm leaves, and then He did snooze awhile.
24. And behold, the ship was now in the midst of the sea, tossed with waves: for the wind was contrary (let the reader understand,) and bloweth it with many divers gusts that were ripe[*1].
25. And in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went unto them, walking on the sea.
26. And when the disciples saw Him walking upon the sea, they were troubled, saying, It is a spirit! And they cried out, Lumme! (Which means Crikey!) For fear had come upon them, and (to fulfil the scripture) some of them made water.
27. And straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying, Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid.
28. And Peter answered Him and said, Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee on the water.
29. And He questioned, muttering, More magic tricks? But He relented verily, and said, Come! And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.
30. And suddenly, when he felt the wind super-boisterous and saw the white crests upon the waves, he was sore and afraid; and beginning to sink he cried, saying, Lord, save me, for the water is up to my nether parts[*2]!
31. And lo! Immediately Jesus stretched forth His hand, and caught him, and saith He unto him, O ye of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? Thou shouldest have worn thy bathing suit.
32. And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased, and the waters calmed their tumult, and the disciples quieted their stomachs, and did not any the more retch.
33. Then they that were in the ship came from the gunwales, and other unknown parts, and they worshipped Him, saying, Of a truth thou art the Son of God, for we feel much better now.

[*1. Here the Greek is uncertain.]

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