



**Series** Topical

**Passage** Mark 6:45-52

**Title** Keep the Text in Context Part 2

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**Discussion Starter** – What would you say is the most important thing you have learned about the process of keeping the text in context?

### **Jesus Walks On Water** (Mark 6:45-52)

- What thoughts come to your mind when you recall the story where Jesus is walking on water?
- Read Mark 6:45-46. Then read Mark 6:30-42. How do these verses enhance the context of Mark 6:45-46? Describe in your own words what you feel is the significance of Jesus sending the disciples off in one direction as He goes to pray alone on the mountain after feeding the 5,000 men.
- What common misconceptions did the hungry multitudes have about Jesus and how do they relate to us as Christians today? Read John 6:14-15 and Matthew 4:8-10. What additional insights do we gain from reading these verses?

### **Jesus Meets Us In Our Storms** (Mark 6:47-50)

- Why do you think it took so long for Jesus to arrive as His disciples struggled getting across the lake?
- What are some of the important contextual things taking place as Jesus approaches the disciples in their trial? What are some of the similarities we see that happen to us as we are going through trials in our own lives?
- What encourages you the most as a Christian from the example of how Jesus meets the disciples in the midst of their trial?

### **Gaining A Deeper Understanding Of Jesus** (Mark 6:51-52)

- How does verse 51 correlate to verse 52? Why does Jesus say that their hearts were hardened?
- What concept did the disciples miss about the feeding of the 5,000? Read Mark 6:34 & 39, Psalm 23:1-3 and John 6:26-58. What additional information do these verses give us about what Jesus desires us to know and understand about Him?