Stepping into the Unknown Territory of God's Will! ...John 6:16-21/Matthew 14:22-33

"And Peter answered Him, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus."

...Matthew 14:28-29 (ESV)

- 1. It Begins with a Hunger & Passion to Experience the Power and Presence of God in Your Life Scripture: John 6:19, Matthew 14:23-26
 - Recognizing God's Presence...

• Faith, Fear, and Foolishness...

2. Stepping Out of the Boat...Comfort vs. Calling

Scripture: Matthew 14:28-29

From the Word

3. Dealing with the Storms...

Scripture: Matthew 14:30-33

4. Walking on the Water...

Scripture: Ephesians 3:14-21

- **1.** What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ... Be descriptive!
- 2. What's your "Boat"? Where is fear or comfort keeping you from trusting God's calling into a deeper walk?
- 3. Where are you in relation to Jesus at this time in your life?
 - Huddled in your "boat", looking for safety due to either fear or comfort in your life?
 - One leg in the boat, and one leg out...not sure if you're willing to step out? Analysis Paralysis?
 - Walking on the water...following Jesus wherever He leads?
 - Out of the "boat", but focusing on the "storm"?
 - Describe where you see yourself, and where you'd like to be...
 - What are you going to do about it?
- **4.** Can you identify one area that you feel God has been calling you to trust Him completely and step out into an unknown territory, perhaps outside of your "comfort zone", to the place that He's asking you to go?
- **5.** READ <u>Ephesians 3:14-21</u> together... Describe how this directs and inspires you to take that step into an area that He's calling you, even if it's outside of your "Boat" of fear or comfort, to "Walk on the Water" with Him...
- **6**. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

rayer

Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)

How do the *5 Principles for the Christian Man*, help equip you to apply this to your life? Discuss your answer with your group...

- Prayer (Relationship)
- God's Word (Knowledge and Understanding)
- Worship (Adoration)
- Fellowship (Encouragement and Accountability)
- Service (Caring for Others, Action to your Belief)