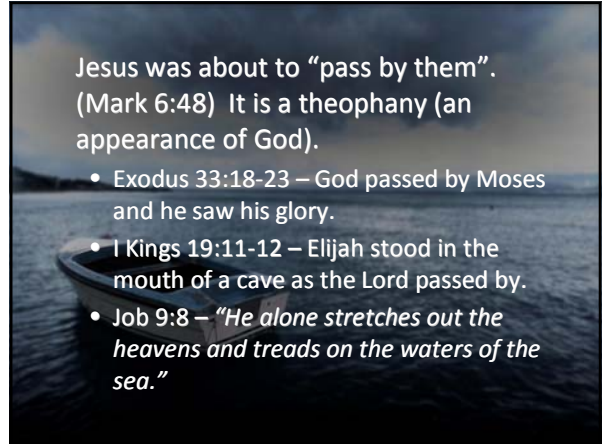
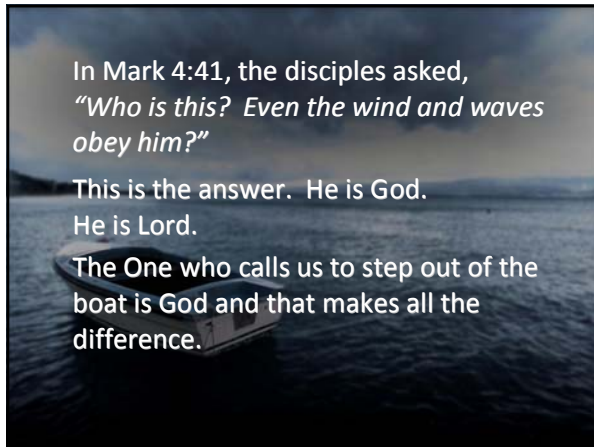


**II. The key to “walking on water” is knowing the One who calls us.  
Matthew 14:25-27**



Jesus was about to “pass by them”.  
(Mark 6:48) It is a theophany (an appearance of God).

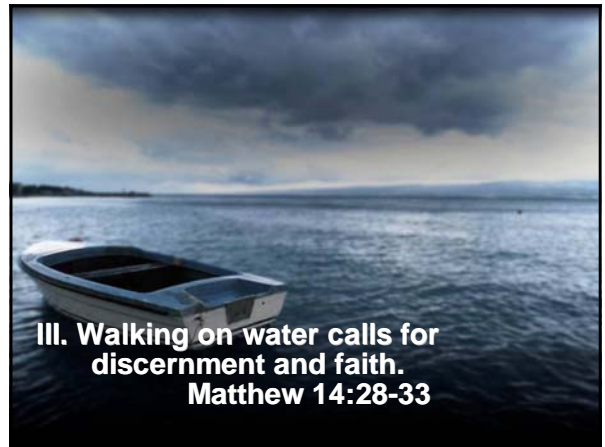
- Exodus 33:18-23 – God passed by Moses and he saw his glory.
- I Kings 19:11-12 – Elijah stood in the mouth of a cave as the Lord passed by.
- Job 9:8 – *“He alone stretches out the heavens and treads on the waters of the sea.”*



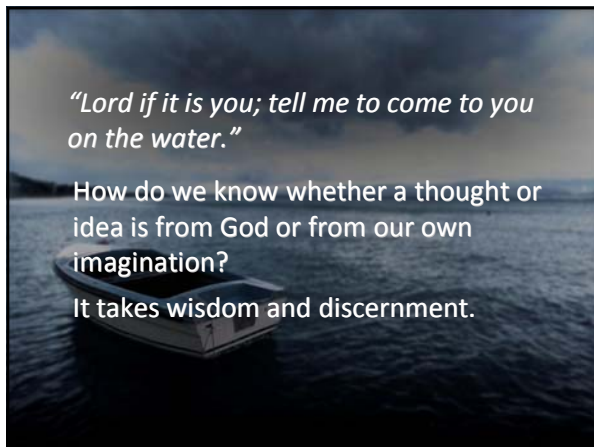
In Mark 4:41, the disciples asked,  
*“Who is this? Even the wind and waves obey him?”*

This is the answer. He is God.  
He is Lord.

The One who calls us to step out of the boat is God and that makes all the difference.



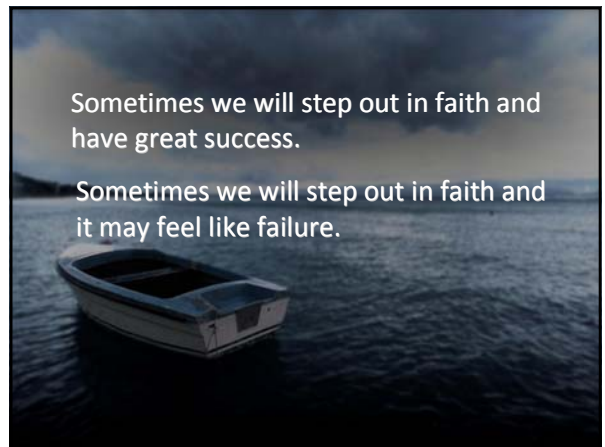
**III. Walking on water calls for discernment and faith.  
Matthew 14:28-33**



*“Lord if it is you; tell me to come to you on the water.”*

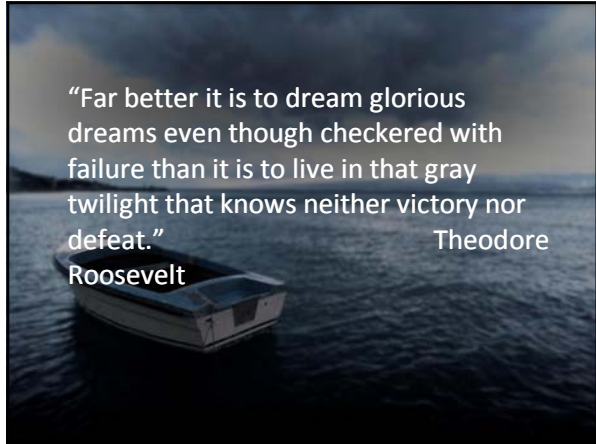
How do we know whether a thought or idea is from God or from our own imagination?

It takes wisdom and discernment.

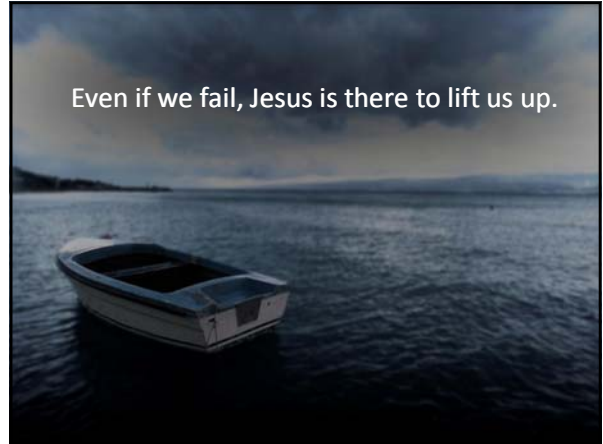


Sometimes we will step out in faith and have great success.

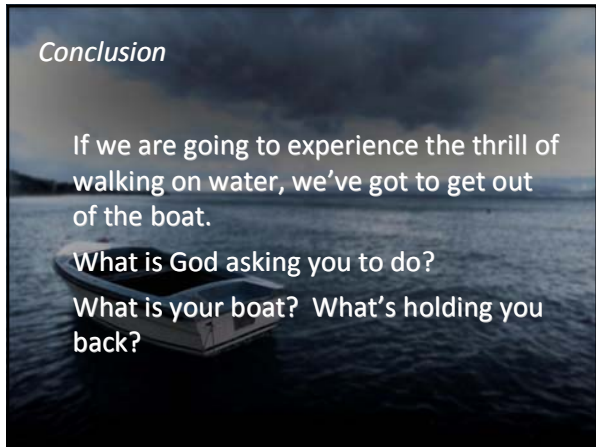
Sometimes we will step out in faith and it may feel like failure.



“Far better it is to dream glorious dreams even though checkered with failure than it is to live in that gray twilight that knows neither victory nor defeat.” Theodore Roosevelt



Even if we fail, Jesus is there to lift us up.



*Conclusion*

If we are going to experience the thrill of walking on water, we've got to get out of the boat.

What is God asking you to do?

What is your boat? What's holding you back?