

# Beyond Nostalgia: Great Flannelgraph Stories

## “Jesus Walks On Water”

- Introduction:
1. Sometimes, going back is the best way forward.
  2. Jesus was a great “story teller,” and yet today we often relegate the “stories” to the children as we go in search of expository sermons that have three points that all begin with the same letter.
  3. For the next few weeks, let’s just go back and listen to, and learn from some of the great stories of the Bible.

### I. Jesus With The Multitudes

- A. (Matthew 14:13-22).
- B. Have you ever imagined what “day-to-day” life must have been like for Jesus?
- C. (John 20:30-31).

### II. Jesus Sends His Disciples On Ahead

- A. (Matthew 14:22).
- B. For a frame of reference, the Sea of Galilee is about 8 miles wide.

### III. Jesus Prays Alone

- A. (Matthew 14:23).
- B. While those who are grieving need support, there are times when people need to be alone.

### IV. The Disciples Struggle On The Sea

- A. (Matthew 14:24).
- B. The disciples have been on the sea for quite some time; possibly up to 9 to 12 hours.

### V. Jesus Walks On The Water

- A. (Matthew 14:25-27).
- B. Notice that he was going to pass them by, but only stopped when they cried out.

### VI. Peter Walks On The Water

- A. (Matthew 14:28-29).
- B. This is quite an exhibition of faith.

### VII. Peter Begins To Sink

- A. (Matthew 14:30-31).
- B. Looking away from Jesus was his downfall. Faith must be sustained.

### VIII. Jesus And The Disciples Cross The Sea Together

- A. (Matthew 14:32-33).
- B. The winds cease and the disciples worship Jesus.

- Conclusion:
1. We, like those initial disciples, need to place our faith in Jesus, and keep our eyes focused on him.
  2. When we do, how can we do anything less than worship him?

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## Flannelgraph Lessons for all Ages

















