

## ***D-2: Living Life in an Atmosphere of Prayer***

*Mark 6:33-56*

**Main Idea:** Since we live in God's presence all the time, we should delight in God's presence through constant dependent prayer. Jesus taught this lesson to his disciples in three stories.

### **1. *FEEDING THE 5,000* – When we lack the basic necessities of life, our automatic response should be prayer. *Mark 6:32-44***

- A. Jesus had already taught his disciples about depending on him for daily needs in the Sermon on the Mount: "Give us this day our daily bread."
- B. Jesus engineers a situation in where they must depend on him for their daily needs and the daily needs of others. 6:35-44
- C. The people Jesus fed are just like the people God fed in the wilderness. John 6:30-35
- D. *Application* – We need to aggressively trust in Jesus' provision for our daily necessities.

### **2. *WALKING ON WATER* – When we face emergency situations, our immediate response should be prayer. *Mark 6:45-52***

- A. Jesus plans out a difficult trial for the disciples, and prays that they would learn. 6:45-47a
- B. Jesus' disciples encounter a storm on the sea. 6:47-51a
- C. The disciples did not learn from the trial because their hearts were hardened. 6:51b-52
- D. *Application* – Jesus teaches three benefits of prayer in emergency situations.

### **3. *HEALING ON THE SEASHORE* – When things don't turn out as planned our immediate response should be trust in his sovereignty. *Mark 6:53-56***

- A. The disciples' trip did not turn out as planned: Jesus instructed them to go to Bethsaida, but they end up on the other side of the lake. 6:53-56
- B. Sometimes, events in our lives do not turn out as planned.
- C. At these times, we need to rest in the sovereignty of God.