

Grammar – Prepositions

Jesus Walks on the Water

Read the account of Jesus walking on the water from **Matthew 14:22-33**. Choose the best preposition, or if you think that none of the options are correct, write your own preposition in the gap:

²² Immediately Jesus made the disciples get [1. onto, into, upon, _____] the boat and go ahead [2. beside, on, to, _____] him to the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.

²³ After he had sent the multitudes away, he went [3. up, down, at, _____] into the mountain by himself [4. for, by, to, _____] pray. When evening had come, he was there alone.

²⁴ But the boat was now [5. on, at, with, _____] the middle of the sea, distressed [6. with, through, under, _____] the waves, for the wind was contrary.

²⁵ In the fourth watch [7. in, of, out of, _____] the night, Jesus came to them, walking [8. in, on, at, _____] the sea. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, 'It's a ghost!' and they cried [9. in, up, with, _____] for fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'Cheer up! It is I! Don't be afraid.'

²⁸ Peter answered him and said, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come [10. with, to, by, _____] you on the waters.'

²⁹ He said, 'Come!'

Peter stepped [11. up, below, through, _____] from the boat and walked on the waters to come [12. beside, from, to, _____] Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw that the wind was strong, he was afraid, and beginning to sink, he cried [13. in, up, across, _____], saying, 'Lord, save me!'

³¹ Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand, took hold [14. on, in, of, _____] him, and said to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ³² When they got up [15. onto, down, towards, _____] the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ Those who were in the boat came and worshiped him, saying, 'You are truly the Son of God!'