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I. Jesus and the Disciples. 14: 22-33

The miracle of Matt. 14: 17 and Jn. 6: 18
The reaction Jn. 6: 14, 15
{ The sailing disciples Matt. 14: 22, 25 (to Jesus' disciples, & Matt. 3: 17-21, 22, 23)
{ The mountain prayer } from Matt. 14: 23

Jesus 14: 23 "up into a mt. apart to pray."

The great, wide sky opened before him like a door into the eternal heaven
within the throne is
within the throne of heaven as if Jesus had seen the Father
and with him
every all that should be left to mankind
his presence.

"Alone." He was often alone. In a real sense, he was always
alone. The evening before, 54,000 men were gathered around him...
Then, the center of humanity, and he stands alone, ... but the
center of the universe, of all creation. alone as he was before
the world began, with the Father. Jn. 1: 1 *ἦν ὁ λόγος τὸν θεόν.*

"To pray" Answering in the very statement of the fact - Jesus prays.

- He - human nature
- in his self all sufficient
- a blessed hour of very blessing
- in which came his baptism, when he was covered with the Spirit & returned back from the ground he shined down.

yet he prays - sometimes, too, with strong crying & tears
in an agony, dying hour.

The scene of that kneeling Jesus, alone, in the top of the mt. ...
nothing of that
nothing in the
beginning of the
consequence with God. *ἦν ὁ λόγος τὸν θεόν.*

assignment
The disciples, sabbath, critical. 14:22, 25

They had their own plans, schemes, ambitions.
The royal disciples of Jesus: Rome was included.
James, John & early sons: Mark & Timothy. J. capital of the world.
Even ready to give the Master sword, how he ought to be.
What to do with the 2000 14:15
"children" - Synagogue members. As they
"wonder" - Sabbath-keeping (for)
So Jesus leaves them to manage their own little ship.
What they wanted to do - now they don't.

What we all seem to want to do.
Leave Jesus out - seize the helm with our own hands.
The reefs are the rocks - "breaking ahead" - the storm.

Our utter, complete helplessness, with our own little boats in
the sea, in the storm of life.
Can you see us in private - with our little ship, how
dare we not control all the ships of the sea, all the
stars - vessels that sail through the infinite firmament, all
the hosts of men that gather on the face of the earth, all the
legions of angels that guard the cities above, all the forces
that dwell on that invisible line of this unmeasurable universe?
Have we need the Lord of it all?
1st John. "They say is great, our boats are small."

Jesus comes, walking to them on the water. ^{without any of our}
The miracle of yesterday (July 3, 00) not of us as saved, a
present miracle. ^{with}
Bread of yesterday - grass for today ^{Summer of yesterday - of today}
Nourished by daily revelations, of the divine power
without recognition of "him."
The miracle of the cross - the blood - the life - historical 1900 years ago?
- no - from before the foundation
of the world
- today - forever -
power.

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We must be saved
Dear ship in the storm, when two seas meet
We sail in every condition try to walk upon
Every day he places us upon the yawning abyss
"answer to the prayer, 'Lord save me' - the
outlet into his all-redeeming hand
if as long as we look to Jesus, not inward on the water
but when we look at ourselves, and begin to sink.
a other around us

II. Jesus, work and worship. Math. 14: 23, 25-26

God to work again - on the mt.; in the city
 - leaving for the mts; drawn to the city
 - leaving for commission with God; yet drawn to his people.
 - every day coming down from the mts.; to
 get it up to lonely, help the helpless, redeem
 with sacrificial blood in both directions, always.

3rd - the groups on the mt.; above
 - the work in the city.

We wonder how a great, outward, mission ministry
 can be maintained. Answer simple: every outward
 ministry that is successful, life-giving, is sustained by
 mt. living, solitary communion with God, son-fellowship
 with the Father. The inner man must be renewed day by day.
 Must depend the soul if we would reach the city.
 Christed with God
 of the best love ministry, genuine, always out of holiness?

(1) To man. Come up to the top of the mt.

"Be ready in the army"

Our first interview with God - then ...

(2) of God at hand, he is gathered

(3) The XO life of retreat and devotion

The two pillars in the temple: "Be ready" "Be strong"

"Be ready" "Be strong"

struggle for holy duty

worship is beauty of holiness 4.28:2

The army must burn, but it must have oil to feed it

(4) 1st. 6:2 2 work women face

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Rising from his knees - brave for duty
 prepared for trial