



## Week 6 – February 12, 2023 Sermon

*Please review these questions and write your answers prior to attending your Life Group meeting. The sermon manuscript and these questions can be accessed each week at [saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek](http://saintmatthiasoakdale.com/lifegrouphisweek)*

### Getting to Know One Another

1. What are you grateful for this week or struggling to be grateful for?

2. Can you think of an instance where you found yourself vulnerable to the power of some force of the natural world and faced with your powerlessness relative to it?

3. Did you watch the super bowl? If not, what did you do instead? If so, what moment or commercial or time with others was the most enjoyable?

### Into The Sermon

4a. Was the Discipleship Wheel diagram helpful, confusing, illuminating, overwhelming, or something else? And why?

4b. What about the monster analogy?

5. Dallas Willard wrote, "To believe something is to act as if it were true." This counter-intuitive understanding of faith is fleshed out a bit further in footnotes 2&3, but does Willard's statement resonate? Why or why not?

6. Reflect on the interpretation of Peter walking on water presented in the sermon. Did it differ in any way from how you might have understood it before?

### Choose Your Own Adventure

7. Choose a or b.

a. Read footnote 4 on failure. How is this similar or different from how you've been prone or taught to treat your failures in your walk with Jesus? If different, which is better or seems more consistent with the Gospel?

b. In addition to the characteristics of a faithful action listed on the bulletin flyer, footnote 7 provides some more on how to identify a faithful action in response to good news. Read it and write down anything it clarifies or new thoughts it brings up for you.

8. Did you have the chance to grapple any element of the Discipleship Wheel this week – such as detecting a Kairos, discerning some bad news, or even devising a faithful action in response to some good news? (sharing optional)

### One-Sentence Prayers

9. Do you have any prayer requests for one sentence prayers?