

The background of the book cover is a painting of a wooden boat on a beach. The boat is dark brown and occupies the lower left portion of the frame. A person is sitting on the edge of the boat, looking out towards the sea. The sky is a mix of light blue and white, suggesting a bright, slightly overcast day. The beach is a mix of light and dark sand, with some rocks visible in the foreground. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

THE
GLORY HARDENED
DISCIPLES

MARK 6:45-52

Mark 6:45 Immediately He made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while He sent the multitude away.⁴⁶ And when He had sent them away, He departed to the mountain to pray.⁴⁷ Now when evening came, the boat was in the middle of the sea; and He was alone on the land.⁴⁸ Then He saw them straining at rowing, for the wind was against them. Now about the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea, and would have passed them by.



Mark 6:49 And when they saw Him walking on the sea, they supposed it was a ghost, and cried out;⁵⁰ for they all saw Him and were troubled. But immediately He talked with them and said to them, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid."⁵¹ Then He went up into the boat to them, and the wind ceased. And they were greatly amazed in themselves beyond measure, and marveled.⁵² For they had not understood about the loaves, because their heart was hardened.



John 6:5 Then Jesus lifted up His eyes, and seeing a great multitude coming toward Him, He said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread, that these may eat?"⁶ But this He said to test him, for He Himself knew what He would do.⁷ Philip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may have a little."



Mark 6:42 So they all ate and were filled.⁴³ And they took up twelve baskets full of fragments and of the fish.

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Mark 6:47 Now when evening came, the boat was in the middle of the sea; and He was alone on the land.

JESUS SAW THEIR DILEMMA

Mark 6:48 He saw them straining at rowing, for the wind was against them...

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Hebrews 4:13 And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

JESUS SAW THEIR DILEMMA

Hebrews 4:15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

JESUS SUPERINTENDED THEIR DELAY

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JESUS SUPERINTENDED THEIR DELAY

John 11:4 When Jesus heard that, He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

John 11:15 Then Jesus said to them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, that you may believe. Nevertheless let us go to him."

JESUS SUPERINTENDED THEIR DELAY

John 11:25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.²⁶ And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

JESUS SUPERINTENDED THEIR DELAY

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JESUS SOLVED THEIR DISCOURAGEMENT

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JESUS SAVED THEM FROM THEIR DESTRUCTION

Mark 6:51 Then He went up into the boat to them, and the wind ceased. And they were greatly amazed in themselves beyond measure, and marveled.⁵² For they had not understood about the loaves, because their heart was hardened.

JESUS SAVED THEM FROM THEIR DESTRUCTION

Matthew 14:33 Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

John 6:21 Then they willingly received Him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land where they were going.

Mark 8:17 But Jesus, being aware of it, said to them, "Why do you reason because you have no bread? Do you not yet perceive nor understand? Is your heart still hardened?¹⁸ Having eyes, do you not see? And having ears, do you not hear? And do you not remember?¹⁹ When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of fragments did you take up?" They said to Him, "Twelve."

