

BIBLE STUDY GUIDE FOR FBC FAMILIES & E-GROUPS

Sermon Title: **“FOCUSING OUR FAITH/TRUST IN THE LORD!”**

Sermon Text: **Matthew 14: 22-32**

A. OPENING PRAYER (Father/Mother/E-Group Member)

B. SHARING TIME/ICEBREAKER QUESTION

**What is the one thing or one activity that you think is making you sane or occupied during this time of lockdown?*

C. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1) *Ask somebody or assign several people to read the text.*

2) *From our text, Matthew 14:22, we learned that we have to continually & steadily focus our faith/trust in the Lord our God all the time! And Pastor Val shared three things where many people focused their faith/trust? These are: (a) Money/material possessions or pleasures, (b) Power or Position, and (c) Themselves or their own power, wisdom, & strength.*

From these three which is your greatest temptation right now & from where the Lord wants you to take away you focus from & refocus your faith/trust in Him? Why? (They answer this or not)

3) *Pastor Val also shared several principles how we can FOCUS our faith/trust in the Lord. We can do this by:*

(a) Remembering WHO the Lord is & WHAT He can do in our life!

(b) Trusting & never doubting the Lord' PROMISE/WORD!

(c) Seeing beyond the mere appearance of things. Live by faith & not by sight!

(d) Calling on the NAME of the Lord & expecting to receive HELP from Him! (Psalm 121)

From these principles, which is your weakness & strength? Why?

D. PRAYER TIME & CLOSING PRAYER (Father/Mother/E-Group Leader/Member)

1) *Ask the prayer concern/request of each one & pray for one another. You can do this by telling them to pray for the person on their right & left.*

2) *The father/mother/Facilitator can close the meeting with a prayer.*