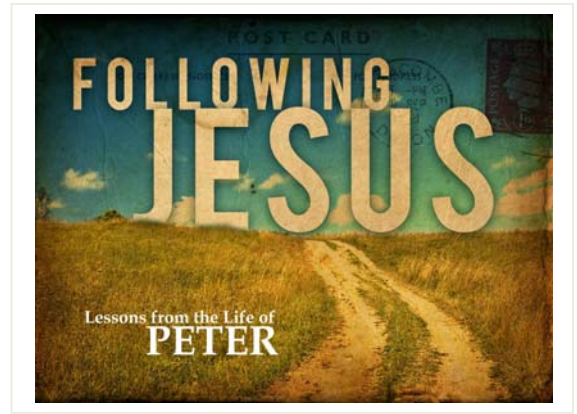


**Discussion guide for:
"Closing the Faith Gap"
(Following Jesus session #5)**



Opening up

Recall and share a time in your life when your situation went from difficult to bad to worse? As you look back on that event can you see any good that God brought out of that situation.

Observing the scriptures

Read through Matthew 14:22-33, think about the various emotions the disciples went through in the course of the story. How many of these do you face in your life?

For Discussion

Your video Bible teacher suggested four ways to close the faith gap. Discuss how these can help you practically close the "faith gap:"

1. The gap between our progress and His perfection is closed by taking a step toward on His mission
2. The gap between our fears and His comfort is closed by taking a step toward His person.
3. The gap between our weakness and His power is closed by taking a step toward His word.
4. The gap between our doubt and His confidence is closed by taking a step toward true worship.

Thinking about the four steps above which one do you most need to work on? What is the first small step you can make to make this real in your life?