

“WHAT IS MY FOCUS?”
Amazing Encounters With Jesus – Part 1
December 30, 2007

My New Year’s Resolution is..._____

_____ : A central point, as of attraction, attention, or activity.

Jesus (and Peter) Walking on Water

[22] Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while He dismissed the crowd. [23] After He had dismissed them, He went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, [24] but the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. [25] During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. [26] When the disciples saw Him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

[27] But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." [28] "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." [29] Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus.

Matthew 14:22-29 (NIV)

My Focus Determines My _____.

[30] But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" [31] Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," He said, "why did you doubt?" [32] And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. [33] Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Matthew 14:29-33 (NIV)

What I Believe Determines _____.
(Saul's Conversion Into Paul Acts 9:1-18)

[17] Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord--Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here--has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit."

[18] Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized...

Acts 9:17-18 (NIV)

I Get to _____ What I Focus On.

I Can Only Have _____.

"No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other."

Luke 16:13a (NIV)

How Do I Focus on Jesus?

1. Recognize That I Have Been _____.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16 (NIV)

2. Be Part Of God's _____.

3. Learn How Jesus _____.

4. Love Like There's No _____.