Jesus, Your Maritime Pilot
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- Together with the accounts found in Matthew 14:22 and Mark 6:45, there are 2 things we can take away from this:
  1. The use of the word ‘immediately’ by Jesus shows a sense of urgency. There is a sense of urgency in our world today. (2 Corinthians 6:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3)
  2. The acceptance by the disciples to do what Jesus said. Mankind has always struggled with being told what to do. We want to be the ‘captains’ of our own ship, ‘masters’ of our own destiny. Christians should live differently. (Proverbs 16:9, 19:21)

**John 6:18-20**

- There was “darkness”, “strong winds”, rough waters” and there was “fear”. At times, our journey can be anything but “smooth sailing”. (John 16:33, Isaiah 43:2, Matt 7:24-27)
- Storms come to perfect us (Job 1-2) or correct us (Jonah 1).

**John 6:21**

- They were “willing” (NIV/NAS/KJV/TLB). In the Greek, it literally means that they were “determined to take”.
- Am I willing to let Jesus come aboard my life and navigate for me?
- Immediately, you get to your desired destination. (John 14:2, 3)

“The disciples had rowed hard, but could not make their point until they had got Christ in the ship, and then the work was done suddenly. If we have received Christ Jesus the Lord, have received him willingly, though the night be dark and the wind high, yet we may comfort ourselves with this, that we we shall be at shore shortly, and are nearer to it than we think we are.” Matthew Henry