

“JESUS CHRIST - A MAN APPROVED OF GOD ([Acts 2:22](#))”

Miracle #22 – “THE DISCIPLES TRANSLATED”

[John 6:16-19,20-21](#)

Positive thinking, weather control, translation, the meaning of time

THE SCENE:

It's after 3 am. The disciples, strenuously rowing across the Galilee Sea, see Christ walking up to the ship.

I mean, they've all just had a tiring night feeding the 5,000 ... they should be home in bed ... but Christ has urged them to row across the Sea of Galilee.

“I'll see you on the other side” he said. What's going on? What is Christ trying to achieve?

Among many other lessons the **following** stand out:

1. Positive thinking

The disciples rowing across the Sea of Galilee represent our salvation journey ... will it be by the 'impossibilities' of positive thinking and hard physical yakka to get to the other side ... or will we simply look unto Christ to get the job done ([John 6:21](#))?

2. Weather control

In controlling the weather, Christ shows himself to be God ([Matthew 14:33](#); [Genesis 1:1](#)).

3. Translation

Those who like Sci-Fi movies, are familiar with the term “Beam me up Scotty.”

A **translation** is to be bodily transported through space to another destination.

In the Old Testament, translations were common place with men appearing out of heaven ([Joshua 5:13](#)); Enoch ([Genesis 5:24](#)); Elijah ([2 Kings 2:11](#)) to name a few. Indeed, we have Philip ([Acts 8:39](#)) in the New Testament.

And so here we have the disciples being **translated** to their destination ... “*Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately **the ship was at the land whither they went.***” ([John 6:21](#)).

4. The meaning of time

Christ created time and therefore he is its master ... he is before time, and will be, after it finishes. Christ is the **was**, the **is**, and the **is to come** ([Revelation 1:4](#)).

The fact is that the disciples had rowed half the journey across the Sea with much physical effort, but Christ completes the last half in an instant as follows ...

"... **immediately** the ship was at the land whither they went." ([John 6:21](#)).

A couple of points

Only when we receive Christ into our 'ship', can we be **immediately** put onto the other shore ... and into heaven; and secondly, only Christ can restore the years the locusts have eaten ([Joel 2:25](#)) in making up for lost time.

The lesson is this ... on earth a thousand years is one thousand years ... and it drags on and on and on ... but in heaven, it will seem like a day ([2Peter 3:8](#)). These disciples, in the presence of the Lord and with their eyes on him, time became irrelevant ... and this is how it will be in heaven.

Funny isn't it Dear Reader, when you're bored and time drags, you are not thinking about the Lord. That's why we fill up our time with the physical of the five senses entertainment, distractions, travel and so on.

It just proves, although we are new **creatures**, we are **not** as yet new **creations** ([2 Corinthians 5:17](#)). Indeed Paul says that with his mind he loves the law of God but his body serves the law of sin ([Romans 7:25](#)).

God's purposes

Knowing in advance what is good for us, but unbeknown to them, Christ constrains the disciples to go to sea ([Matthew 14:22](#)), that he might show himself as the Almighty God, through his control of the **weather**, **translation** and **time** ... and truly, the **I AM THAT I AM** ([Genesis 18:14](#); [Matthew 14:33](#); [Exodus 3:14](#)).

Lastly

He says to the disciples "It is **I**" ([Mark 6:50](#)). Why didn't Christ say "It is **me**." ...

Christ said "Before Abraham was, **I am**" ([John 8:58](#)) **not** "Before Abraham was, it was **me**"

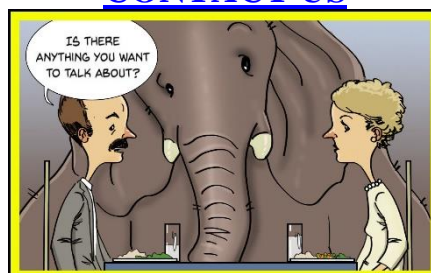
Christ is **never** the 'secondary' object pronoun of "me", but **always** the 'primary' subject pronoun of "I".

Indeed Dear Reader, let us all be of good cheer that the "I", and **not** the "me" is present ([Matthew 14:27](#)).

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