

John 6:21

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Then they willingly received him into the ship: and immediately the ship was at the land whither they went.

Analysis

The disciples 'willingly received him into the ship,' and immediately 'the ship was at the land whither they went.' Both Jesus' reception and the ship's sudden arrival suggest supernatural elements. Their willing reception contrasts with previous fear, showing how Christ's self-revelation produces faith and welcome. His presence brings immediate arrival at our destination.

Historical Context

The immediate arrival at their destination after receiving Jesus suggests either miraculous transport or John's focus on the significant point: Christ's presence ensures safe arrival. Some ancient manuscripts emphasize the miraculous nature of this immediate arrival.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Matthew 25:31 — Final judgment

Study Questions

1. How does willingly receiving Christ into our circumstances change outcomes?

2. What does the ship's immediate arrival teach about Christ's power to complete our journeys?

Interlinear Text

ἵθελον	οὖν	λαβεῖν	αὐτὸν	εἰς	τὸ	πλοῖον	καὶ	
they willingly	Then	received	him	into	<small>G3588</small>	the ship	and	
G2309	G3767	G2983	G846	G1519		G4143	G2532	
εὐθέως	τὸ	πλοῖον	ἐγένετο	ἐπὶ	τῆς	γῆς	εἰς	ἢν
immediately	<small>G3588</small>	the ship	was	at	<small>G3588</small>	the land	into	<small>G3739</small>
G2112		G4143	G1096	G1909		G1093	G1519	
ὑπῆγον								
they went								
<small>G5217</small>								

Additional Cross-References

Mark 6:51 (Parallel theme): And he went up unto them into the ship; and the wind ceased: and they were sore amazed in themselves beyond measure, and wondered.

Revelation 3:20 (Parallel theme): Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.