

John 6:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was none other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered, and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but that his disciples were gone away alone;

Analysis

The crowd's careful observation that there was only one boat and Jesus didn't enter it with the disciples sets up their confusion about His location. Their detailed attention to logistics shows natural reasoning attempting to track Jesus' movements. They cannot account for His presence in Capernaum through ordinary means.

Historical Context

The crowd's meticulous observation reflects their desire to follow Jesus, likely motivated by yesterday's miraculous feeding. Their attention to boat logistics shows human reasoning's limitation in comprehending divine movement.

Related Passages

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. How do we sometimes try to track or explain God's work through purely natural reasoning?
2. What does the crowd's confusion about Jesus' transportation teach about divine transcendence of natural limitations?

Interlinear Text

οἱ	ἐπαύριον	οἱ	ὄχλος	οἱ	ἑστηκώς			
which	The day following	which	when the people	which	stood			
G3588	G1887	G3588	G3793	G3588	G2476			
πέραν	οἱ	θαλάσσης	ιδὼν	ὅτι	πλοιάριον	ἄλλο		
on the other side	which	of the sea	saw	that	boat	other		
G4008	G3588	G2281	G1492	G3754	G4142	G243		
οὐ	ἦν	ἐκεῖ	εἰ	μὴ	ἐν	ἐκεῖνο	εἰς	ὃ
none	there was	there	G1487	G3361	that one	whereinto	into	G3739
G3756	G2258	G1563			G1520	G1565	G1519	
ἐνέβησαν	οἱ	μαθηταὶ	αὐτοῦ,	καὶ	ὅτι	οὐ	συνεισῆλθεν	
were entered	which	disciples	his	and	that	none	went	
G1684	G3588	G3101	G846	G2532	G3754	G3756	G4897	
οἱ	μαθηταὶ	αὐτοῦ,	οἱ	Ἰησοῦς	εἰς	οἱ	πλοιάριον	
which	disciples	his	which	Jesus	into	which	boat	
G3588	G3101	G846	G3588	G2424	G1519	G3588	G4142	
ἀλλὰ	μόνοι	οἱ	μαθηταὶ	αὐτοῦ,	ἀπῆλθον·			
but	alone	which	disciples	his	were gone away			
G235	G3441	G3588	G3101	G846	G565			

Additional Cross-References

Mark 6:45 (Parallel theme): And straightway he constrained his disciples to get into the ship, and to go to the other side before unto Bethsaida, while he sent away the people.

