### What can I expect when I Go for It! Pastor Daren L. Barron | December 3, 2023



### Go For It!

#### Matthew 14:22-33 New International Version

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. Later that night, he was there alone, 24 and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. 25 Shortly before dawn 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 "Come," he said. **Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus.** 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."

# What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! Exposure to what you could not previously see

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• All the disciples saw Jesus walking on the water but Peter Received it differently.

#### What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! Fear

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• Most times, Fear will meet you when you are going for it, simply because you are unaware concerning your self preservation.

What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! Requiring clarity on who or what is calling you forward

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Before you Go For It, be very clear on your motivation/inspiration.

What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! Be ready to make the next move, no matter what the natural circumstances look like to your senses.

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• When you are Going For It, you should always stay focused on the Blessor.

#### What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! Problems will come to distract you

30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

• Sometimes we see our problems greater than we see our promise.

What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! When you Go For It with God always know God will save you.

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• Work on receiving that you and God are in a partnership; when you realize the benefits of the partnership it will grow your confidence in Going For It.

# What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! Exposure from your experience requires higher levels of engagement

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• Even if you failed completing what you started, the fact remains you still started.

# What you can expect when you make a choice to Go for it! God is with you differently than how He was with you before you stepped out

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