

Small Group Study Questions

1. Share your most and least favorite classes or subjects when you were in school.
2. Read today's passage (**Mark 6:45-56**), review the sermon points, and share anything from the sermon that you found especially interesting, challenging or useful.
3. Is the idea of **"intentional neglect"** (**vv.45-47**) in our relationship with Jesus new to you? Can you recall times when, looking back, you realize that's what He was doing with you?
5. After everything they'd already seen Jesus do (including calm a prior storm), why do you think the disciples were so quick to panic in **vv.49-50**? What lessons should we learn from that for our own trials, challenges and storms?
6. Compare what we're told about the disciples' faith in **v.52** with the response of the people in **vv.54-56**. How was it possible that even though they'd known Jesus so much longer, their faith in Him was so much smaller (at least in that particular moment)? And again, is there a warning in that for us?
7. If you were to give yourself a spiritual **"progress report"** today, what would it say? (Be sure to include both positives and negatives). What would you want it to say a year from now?