

When Jesus had Dismissed the Crowd

Text: Mark 6:45-56

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Suggested Tune: St. Peter

When Jesus had dismissed the crowd
Whom he had fed that day,
He told his friends to cross the lake
While he went off to pray.

When night time came their boat was in
The middle of the lake,
And Jesus saw them from the shore
For he was still awake.

And though they rowed with all their might,
The wind was still too strong,
They could not make it 'cross the lake
Though they tried all night long.

So Jesus then went out to them
By walking on the sea,
But terrified they all then were
By this great mystery.

Thus Jesus said, "Don't be afraid.
Take courage. It is I."
And in their boat he climbed with them,
As then the wind did die.

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And the disciples were amazed
At Jesus awesome pow'r,
And could not grasp how he had made
Those loaves without some flour.

For when he fed the massive crowd,
And though they played a part,
Their Lord they yet not understood,
As hardened were their hearts.

And thus, dear Lord, help us believe,
Though we not understand,
That you, O Christ, are God above
All sky and sea and land.

And may we ne'er be troubled, Lord,
By whate'er things you do,
But simply trust and hope in you
Each day our whole lives through.

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