I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SAY IT John 6:16-20

Three Readers: (T/M) The Text Master, F-1 A mother F-2 Carli, a teenage girl

- **F/1-** Good morning. My name is ______ and today I will be reading the part of a mother who is trying to raise a teenage daughter.
- **F/2-** Good morning. My name is ______ and today I will be reading the part of a girl named Carli... who happens to be her daughter.
- T/M- Good morning. My name is ______ and I have the privilege of serving as your Textmaster this morning.

Our Living Word passage of the day is taken from John 6:16-20... And when even was now come, His disciples went down unto the sea, and entered into a ship, and went over the sea toward Capernaum. And it was now dark, and Jesus was not come unto them. And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew. So when they had rowed about five and twenty or thirty furlongs, they see Jesus walking on the sea...

- **F/1-** Carli, I really don't want to ask you again. Please spit out your gum before you go into church.
- **F/2-** But, Mom...
- **F/1-** Please, Carli. Let's not fight over this. I'm not asking so much of you.
- **F/2-** But, Mom, it's not hurting anybody. It's just gum. It's not like I'm going to tear up the place or anything.
- **F/1-** Oh, Carli. It's all about reverence. I'm afraid I haven't taught you very well. I know that when I was a girl...
- F/2- Mom, please don't start with that. After all, times have changed...

T/M- They see Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing nigh unto the ship: and they were afraid...

- F/2- Really, Mom. Church isn't the same as when you grew up.
- F/1- Carli, I think there's something you aren't considering.

- **F/2-** What's that?
- **F/1-** Church may have changed, but I don't think God has...

T/M- They see Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing nigh unto the ship: and they were afraid...

- **F/1-** I think He's the same ultimate God He's always been. I just think that we all forget that far too often.
- **F/2-** What do you mean? You mean that we're supposed to be scared of the great big God like people were back in the old days? I thought we kind of knew Him better now.
- F/1- Oh, Carli, it's so hard. I struggle to know how to put it together, too. He's still the awesome God He's always been but He calls us to be friends... I kind of think that the friendship isn't supposed to be based upon me ever forgetting that He's God... And if that's true, is it too much to ask that we try to remember Who we're dealing with when we go to church?
- F/2- Mom, I don't want to be afraid of Him...
- **F/1-** I really don't want you to, either... except maybe a little bit... enough to think about chewing gum or getting casual about His presence or forgetting Who is with us...
 - T/M- ... and they were afraid. But He saith unot them, "It is I; be not afraid."

May Christ show us how to live this, His Word, today.