

Mark 6:45-52

- 45 Καὶ εὐθὺς ἠνάγκασεν τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ ἐμβῆναι εἰς τὸ πλοῖον καὶ προάγειν εἰς τὸ πέραν πρὸς Βηθσαϊδάν, ἕως αὐτὸς ἀπολύει τὸν ὄχλον.
- 46 καὶ ἀποταξάμενος αὐτοῖς ἀπῆλθεν εἰς τὸ ὄρος προσεύξασθαι.
- 47 καὶ ὀψίας γενομένης ἦν τὸ πλοῖον ἐν μέσῳ τῆς θαλάσσης, καὶ αὐτὸς μόνος ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.
- 48 καὶ ἰδὼν αὐτοὺς βασανιζομένους ἐν τῷ ἐλαύνειν, ἦν γὰρ ὁ ἄνεμος ἐναντίος αὐτοῖς, περὶ τετάρτην φυλακὴν τῆς νυκτὸς ἔρχεται πρὸς αὐτοὺς περιπατῶν ἐπὶ τῆς θαλάσσης καὶ ἤθελεν παρελθεῖν αὐτούς.
- 49 οἱ δὲ ἰδόντες αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τῆς θαλάσσης περιπατοῦντα ἔδοξαν ὅτι φάντασμα ἔστιν, καὶ ἀνέκραξαν·
- 50 πάντες γὰρ αὐτὸν εἶδον καὶ ἐταράχθησαν. ὁ δὲ εὐθὺς ἐλάλησεν μετ' αὐτῶν, καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς· θαρσεῖτε, ἐγὼ εἰμι· μὴ φοβεῖσθε.
- 51 καὶ ἀνέβη πρὸς αὐτοὺς εἰς τὸ πλοῖον καὶ ἐκόπασεν ὁ ἄνεμος, καὶ λίαν [ἐκ περισσοῦ] ἐν ἑαυτοῖς ἐξίσταντο·
- 52 οὐ γὰρ συνήκαν ἐπὶ τοῖς ἄρτοις, ἀλλ' ἦν αὐτῶν ἡ καρδία πεπωρωμένη.

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- 45 And immediately he urged upon his disciples to embark into the boat and to go before him into other side toward Bethsaida, while he dismissed (narrative present) the crowd.
- 46 and saying farewell to them he went away to the mountain to pray.
- 47 And becoming late the boat was in the middle of the sea, and he was alone on the land
- 48 And seeing them being tormented in the drive of wind, for wind was against them, about the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea and he was wanting to arrive to them.
- 49 But the ones seeing him on the sea walking thought that he was a ghost, and they cried out.
- 50 For every one saw him and were troubled. But immediately he conversed with them, and he said to them “Take courage!, it is I, do not be afraid”
- 51 And he went aboard to them into the boat and the wind stopped, and they were completely amazed in him
- 52 For they did not understand about the loaves, but their heart was made stubborn.

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- 45 Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd.
- ⁴⁶After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray.

47 When evening came, the boat was out on the sea, and he was alone on the land. 48 When he saw that they were straining at the oars against an adverse wind, he came towards them early in the morning, walking on the sea. He intended to pass them by. 49 But when they saw him walking on the sea, they thought it was a ghost and cried out; 50 for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, ‘Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.’ 51 Then he got into the boat with them and the wind ceased. And they were utterly astounded, 52 for they did not understand about the loaves, but their hearts were hardened.

Biblical reference	Text Form	Lexical Form	Bauer Page #	Grammatical Description	Translation / Other References
Mark 6:45	ἠνάγκασεν	ἀναγκάζω	60	indicative aorist active 3rd person singular	strongly urge/invite <i>urge upon, press</i> Matt 14:22 – he pressed the disciples to embark Luke 14:23 BW- force, compel; urge, insist
Mark 6:45	μαθητὰς	μαθητής	pp. 609-610	noun accusative masculine plural common	one who is rather constantly associated with someone who has a pedagogical reputation or a particular set of views. <i>disciple, adherent</i> especially of the disciples of Jesus Mt 10:1, 11:1 Mk 5:31; 6:1, 35, 45; 8:27; Mk 8:1; 9:1`4; 10:24; BW - disciple, pupil, follower
Mark 6:45	ἐμβῆναι	ἐμβαίνω	321	verb infinitive aorist active	to embark generally – ‘to step into an area’

					<p>in our lit. mostly of boarding water transport</p> <p>Mt 8:23; 9:1; 13:2; 14:22; 15:39 Mk 4:1; 5:18; 6:45; 8:10 Lk 8:22 (expansion), 37 J 6:17; 21:3 Ac 21:6</p> <p>BW - get into, embark; go or step in</p>
Mark 6:45	προάγειν	προάγω	864	verb infinitive present active	<p>intr. to move ahead or in front of <i>go before, lead the way, precede</i></p> <p>in time <i>go or come ahead of</i> someone with acc. of pers.</p> <p>Mt 14:22, 26:32; (go on ahead of your to Galilee), Mk 14:28; Mt 28:7; Mk 16:7</p> <p>Without acc – Mk 6:45</p> <p>Mt 21:41 – tax-collectors will get into the kingdom of God ahead of you</p> <p>BW - intrans. go before or ahead of; come or go before (προάγουσα ἐντολή former commandment He 7.18; αἱ π. προφητεῖαι the prophecies made long ago 1 Tm 1.18); go too far (2 Jn 9); trans. lead or bring out; bring (ἐπί) before (Ac 25.26)</p>
Mark 6:45	πέραν	πέραν		adverb	(1) prep. with gen. beyond, across, to or on the

					other side; (2) τὸ π. the other side
Mark 6:45	Βηθσαϊδά	Βηθσαϊδάν		noun accusative feminine singular proper	Bethsaida (2 D-3)
Mark 6:45	ἀπολύει	ἀπολύω	117-118	verb indicative present active 3rd person singular	<p>to permit or cause someone to leave a particular location <i>let go, send away, dismiss</i></p> <p>crowd Mt 14:15, 22; 15:32, 39; Mk 6:36, 45; 8:9 Ac 19:40 – assembly</p> <p>individuals – Mt 15:23; Lk 8:38; 14:4; Lk 22:68</p> <p>Mk 8:3 – send them away to their homes</p> <p>Ac 4:23; 15:30,33</p> <p>BW - release, set free; send away; send off; divorce; forgive; midd. leave (Ac 28.25)</p>
Mark 6:45	ὄχλον	ὄχλος ου m	745-746	noun accusative masculine singular common	<p>a relatively large number of people gathered together <i>crowd</i></p> <p>Mk 2:4; 3:9 Mk 7:17, 33 – away from the crowd Mk 2:13; 4:1b; 9:15 – all the people Mk 6:34 Mk 12:37</p>

					Mk 10:46 – considerable throng BW - crowd, multitude; (common) people; mob
Mark 6:46	ἀποταξάμενος	ἀποτάσσομαι	123	verb participle aorist middle nominative masculine singular	to express a formal farewell <i>say farewell (to), take leave (of)</i> Ac 18:18; 2 Cor 2:13 Lk 9:61 – to my people at home BW - say good-bye; leave; give up, part with
Mark 6:46	ἀπῆλθεν	ἀπέρχομαι	102	verb indicative aorist active 3rd person singular	to move from a ref. point <i>go</i> indication of a place Mk 1:35; 6:36, 46; 7:24; Mt 8:33; 14:15 Lk 23:33 into the house Mt 9:7; Mk 7:30; Lk 1:23 BW - go; go away, leave; be over or past; spread (Mt 4.24); ἀ. ὀπίσω σαρκὸς ἑτέρας commit sexual immorality (Jd 7)
Mark 6:46	ὄρος	ὄρος οὐς n	724	noun accusative neuter singular common	a relatively high elevation of land that projects higher than a (a minor elevation hill) <i>mountain, mount, hill</i> mountains play a large part in the gospels and

					<p>in the apocalypses. - reference to Bithynian Olympus for Mt 5:1</p> <p>Mt 5:1 – preaches and heals on ‘the ‘ mountain</p> <p>Mk 3:13 – calls the twelve J 6:3 – performs outstanding miracles Mt 14:23; Mk 6:46; Lk 6:12; 9:28 – prays Mt 17:1; Mk 9:2 transfigured Mt 4:8 – tempted Mt 28:16 – risen Christ shows himself on a mountain</p> <p>Mount of Olives – Mt 21:1; 26:30; mk 14:26; Lk 19:37; 22:39; J 8:1</p> <p>Mt 5:14 – city on an eminence or hill Mt 18:12; Mk 5:11; Lk 8:32 – place of pasture</p> <p>BW - mountain, hill, mount</p>
Mark 6:46	προσεύξασθαι	προσεύχομαι	879	verb infinitive aorist middle	<p>to petition deity <i>pray</i> Mt 6:5-7; 14:23; 26:36; Mk 1:35; 6:46; Lk 1:10; 5:16 Ac 1:24; 6:6 1 Cor 11:4f Mk 12:40; Lk 20:47 – make long prayers</p> <p>BW - pray</p>

Mark 6:47	ὄψις	ὄψις, α, ον	746	adjective normal genitive feminine singular no degree	period between late afternoon and darkness <i>evening</i> when evening came Mt 8:16; 14:15, 23; 20:8; 26:20; 27:57 Mk 1:32 in the evening Mt 16:2 Mk 4:35; 6:47; 14:17; 15:42 J 20:19; 6:16 BW - late
Mark 6:47	γενομένης	γίνομαι		verb participle aorist middle genitive feminine singular	become, be; happen, take place, arise (aor. often impers. it happened or came about); come into being, be born or created; be done (of things), become something (of persons); come, go (γ. κατά arrive off Ac 27.7); appear (Mk 1.4; Jn 1.6); marry (Ro 7.3, 4); μὴ γένοιτο no indeed!; sometimes with dat. of person have, possess, receive (e.g. Mt 18.12)
Mark 6:47	μέσῳ	μέσος η, ον	634- 635	adjective normal dative neuter singular no degree	pert to a middle position spatially or temporally <i>middle, in the middle</i> as subst. neut. – <i>the middle</i> Mk 7:31 – within or through the region Mk 6:47 – in the middle of the lake BW - (1) adj. middle, in the middle (ἀνὰ μέσον

					among Mt 13.25; between 1 Cor 6.5; through Mk 7.31; at the center Re 7.17; ἐν μέσῳ or εἰς μέσον in the middle, in the midst, among; ἐν τῷ μέσῳ before the guests Mt 14.6; ἐν μέσῳ αὐτῆς inside the city Lk 21.21; διέρχομαι διὰ μέσον cross the borderland between Lk 17.11; σχίζω μέσον tear in two Lk 23.45); (2) prep. with gen. in the middle, in the midst (Mt 14.24; Php 2.15)
Mark 6:47	μόνος	μόνος , η, ον	658	adjective normal nominative masculine singular no degree	<p>pertaining to being the only entity in a class <i>only, alone</i></p> <p>with a noun Mt 4:10; Lk 4:8 Mt 18:15; Mk 6:47; 9:2; J 6:15</p> <p>BW -(1) adj. only, alone (Mt 12.4; Php 4.15) κατὰ μόνας alone; (2) adv. μόνον only, alone</p>
Mark 6:47	γῆς	γῆ, γῆς	196	noun genitive feminine singular common	<p>dry land as opposed to sea <i>land</i></p> <p>Mk 4:1; 6:47; Lk 5:3, 11; J 6:21; 21:8f, 11; Ac 27:39, 43f</p> <p>BW - the earth; land, country, region; soil, ground; mankind</p>
Mark 6:48	ἰδών	ὁράω	719-	verb participle aorist active	?

			720	nominative masculine singular	BW - trans. see, observe, notice (pass. appear); perceive, understand, recognize; experience; visit, come to see (He 13.23); intrans. make sure, see to, take care (ὅρα μή do not do that)
Mark 6:48	βασανιζομένους	βασανίζω	168	verb participle present passive accusative masculine plural	<p>to subject to severe distress <i>torment, harass</i> (a) harass Mk 6:48 Mt 14:24 – a boat harassed by the waves they had rough going in the waves or they were straining (at the oars?) to make headway</p> <p>(b) mostly physical: in diseases Mt 8:6 Rv 12:2 – birth pangs Mt 8:29; Mk 5:7; Lk 8:28 – of Jesus as threat to evil spirits</p> <p>(1) to subject to punitive judicial procedure <i>torture</i> – used on slaves, no Biblical reference verses but first listing</p> <p>BW - torment, disturb; toss about (of waves); β. ἐν τῷ ἐλαύνειν strain at the oars (Mk 6.48)</p>
Mark 6:48	ἐλαύνειν	ἐλαύνω	314	verb infinitive present active	to urge or propel along

					<i>drive</i> of the wind row Mk 6:48 J 6:19 2 Pt 2:17 which drives clouds Js 3:4 or ships Jd 23 Lk 8:29 – a spirit who drives a possessed person BW - drive (of wind or demons); row
Mark 6:48	ἄνεμος	ἄνεμος ου m		noun nominative masculine singular common	wind; ἐκ τῶν τεσσάρων ἄ. from all directions (Mt 24.31)
Mark 6:48	ἐναντίος	ἐναντίος , α, ου		adjective normal nominative masculine singular no degree	against, contrary, opposed; hostile (1 Th 2.15); ἐξ ἐ. opposite (Mk 15.39); ὁ ἐξ ἐ. enemy (Tt 2.8)
Mark 6:48	τετάρτην	τέταρτος, η, ου		adjective ordinal accusative feminine singular no degree	fourth (ἀπὸ τ. ἡμέρας three days ago or perhaps four days ago Ac 10.30); τὸ τ. a fourth part, a quarter (of
Mark 6:48	φυλακὴν	φυλακή, ῆς f		noun accusative feminine singular common	prison, jail, place of imprisonment; watch (one of the three or four periods of time into which the night was divided from 6 p.m. 6 a.m., cf. Mk 13.35); guard or guard post (Ac 12.10); haunt, lair (of evil spirits); φυλάσσω φ. take turns keeping watch (Lk 2.8)

Mark 6:48	νυκτός	νύξ, νυκτός		noun genitive feminine singular common	night
Mark 6:48	ἔρχεται	ἔρχομαι		verb indicative present middle 3rd person singular	come (εἰς τὸ χεῖρον ἔ. grow worse Mk 5.26); appear, make an appearance; go; return (Jn 4.27, 30; Ro 9.9); be brought (Mk 4.21); ἔ. εἰς προκοπήν help the progress (Php 1.12)
Mark 6:48	περιπατῶν	περιπατέω		verb participle present active nominative masculine singular	walk, go or move about; live, conduct oneself
Mark 6:48	ἤθελεν	θέλω		verb indicative imperfect active 3rd person singular	wish, desire, want; will; like; τί θέλει τοῦτο εἶναι what does this mean? (Ac 2.12; cf. 17.20)
Mark 6:48	παρελθεῖν	παρέρχομαι		verb infinitive aorist active	pass, pass by (perhaps pass through Ac 16.8); pass away, disappear; neglect, break; come, arrive
Mark 6:49	ιδόντες	ὁράω		verb participle aorist active nominative masculine plural	trans. see, observe, notice (pass. appear); perceive, understand, recognize; experience; visit, come to see (He 13.23); intrans. make sure, see to, take care (ὅρα μή do not do that)
Mark 6:49	περιπατοῦντα	περιπατέω		verb participle present active accusative masculine singular	walk, go or move about; live, conduct oneself
Mark 6:49	ἔδοξαν	δοκέω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person plural	(aor. ἔδοξα) trans. think, suppose, consider, imagine; intrans. seem; be recognized, have a reputation (Mk 10.42; Ga 2.2, 6, 9); be disposed (1 Cor 11.16); impers. it seems, it seems good, proper or best

Mark 6:49	φάντασμά	φάντασμα,		noun nominative neuter singular common	τος n ghost, apparition
Mark 6:49	ἀνέκραξαν	ἀνακράζω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person plural	cry out, shout
Mark 6:50	εἶδον	ὁράω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person plural	trans. see, observe, notice (pass. appear); perceive, understand, recognize; experience; visit, come to see (He 13.23); intrans. make sure, see to, take care (ὅρα μή do not do that)
Mark 6:50	ἐταράχθησαν	ταράσσω		verb indicative aorist passive 3rd person plural	trouble, disturb, upset; terrify, frighten; stir up (of water)
Mark 6:50	ἐλάλησεν	λαλέω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person singular	speak, talk, say; preach, proclaim; tell; be able to speak; address, converse (with); promise (of God); sound (of thunder)
Mark 6:50	θαρσεῖτε	θαρσέω		verb imperative present active 2nd person plural	(only in impv.) Courage! Take courage! Cheer up!
Mark 6:50	φοβεῖσθε	φοβέομαι		verb imperative present middle 2nd person plural	trans. fear, be afraid of; fear, be afraid (to do something); fear, worship, reverence (God); respect (Eph 5.33); intrans. be afraid, be frightened

Mark 6:51	ἀνέβη	ἀναβαίνω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person singular	go up, come up, ascend; grow; go aboard (of ships); arise (Lk 24.38); enter, occur to (1 Cor 2.9)
Mark 6:51	ἐκόπασεν	κοπάζω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person singular	cease, stop
Mark 6:51	λίαν	λίαν		adverb	adv. exceedingly, greatly, very much; very, quite; λ. ἐκ περισσοῦ utterly, completely (Mk 6.51)
Mark 6:51	περισσοῦ	περισσός, ή, ὄν		adjective normal genitive neuter singular no degree	(1) adj. more (λίαν ἐκ π. utterly, completely Mk 6.51); unnecessary (2 Cor 9.1); (2) adv. to the full (Jn 10.10); (3) τὸ π. advantage (Ro 3.1)
Mark 6:51	ἐξίσταντο	ἐξίστημι and ἐξιστάνω		verb indicative imperfect middle 3rd person plural	intrans. be amazed or surprised; be out of one's mind; trans. amaze, surprise
Mark 6:52	συνήκαν	συνίημι and συνίω		verb indicative aorist active 3rd person plural	understand, comprehend, perceive, have insight into
Mark 6:52	ἄρτοις	ἄρτος, ου m		noun dative masculine plural common	bread, a loaf; food; ἄ. τῆς προθέσεως or πρόθεσις τῶν ἄ. cf. πρόθεσις
Mark 6:52	πεπωρωμένη	πωρόω		verb participle perfect	made stubborn or without feeling; pass. be

				passive nominative feminine singular	stubborn or without feeling
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INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Raw notes before I look up the Greek words or read any commentaries

Mark 6:45

Observation

- when did act? immediately
- what did he do? urged
- who did he urge - his disciples
- to do what? - to embark into the boat and go ahead of him
- to where? - to the other side of the Sea of Galilee to Bethsaida
- what did he do while he urged them to go? released the crowd

Interpretation

- why did he have to act immediately?
- what happened before this story?
- why did Mark use the term immediately so many times?
- why did he urge them instead of commanding them? is there any difference?
- were there other people besides the disciples that could have or should have gone ahead?
- why did he send them ahead?
- why Bethsaida?
- how did he release the crowd?

Mark 6:46

Observation

- what did he do after releasing the crowd? he left them, went away
- where did he go? to the mountain

- what did he do? pray

Interpretation

- why did he pray in this account as opposed to other accounts?
- why did he go to a mountain?
- why did he have to pray in this specific account?
- what patterns do we see in other Mark accounts of action/prayer or prayer/action?

Mark 6:47

OBSERVATION

- what time was it at this point? becoming late
- where was the boat? in the middle of the sea
- where was Jesus? alone on the land

INTERPRETATION

- what other Mark accounts of the sea?
- why did Jesus send them ahead in the evening?
- why did he refer to the middle of the lake?
- why did he refer to Jesus being alone? on land?
- is there any significance to the land/water pattern? is there a pattern? Mark use this? people of the time understand this to mean something

Mark 6:48

OBSERVATION

- what was Jesus doing? seeing them (perceiving them?)
- what were they doing? straining at the oars
- why? the wind was against them
- when was this? fourth watch of the night
- what did Jesus do? he came toward them
- in what manner? walking on the sea
- what did he want? - to arrive to them

INTERPRETATION

- did Jesus physically see them? idwv - seeing/perceiving/known
- if not, then what does this reveal about Jesus?
- what were the disciples straining against? was there any rain or just a wind? how does this differ from other boat stories in the gospels?
- demons? does this story have parallels with exorcism stories or other struggles with demons?
- any significance to the fourth watch of the night
- why did he walk on the sea? why didn't wait until the next day? is there any relationship between his prayer and walking on the sea?

Mark 6:49

- what were the disciples doing? seeing him
- where? on the sea
- doing what? walking
- what did they think he was? a ghost
- what did they do? cried out

INTERPRATION

- play on words with 'seeing'?
- what does the 'ghost' mean to the readers?
- what other examples are there of 'crying out'?

Mark 6:50

- what was each one's reaction? they were troubled
- when did Jesus act? immediately
- what did he do? conversed with them
- what did he say? "Take courage! it is I, do not be afraid"

INTERPRETATION

- I - from eiui - God?
- what other uses of the word 'troubled'?
- why use 'immediately' in this context? is this a different use?
- is this a recognizable formula "take courage! it is I, do not be afraid!"

Mark 6:51

- what did Jesus do? he went aboard to them
- where? into the boat
- what happened at that point? the wind stopped
- how did the disciples react? they were amazed
- how amazed? completely
- in what manner? in him

INTERPRETATION

- what did Jesus getting into the boat show? (not a ghost, physical)
- does this have any parallels? (resurrection, show hands/feet)
- why did the wind stop as soon as Jesus climbed into the boat?
- what did the wind represent to the readers?
- what other examples are there of the disciples' amazement?
- why does it say that they were amazed "in him" and not "by him" or "by what happened"? does the phrase for "in him" occur in other places in Mark? other gospels?

Mark 6:52

- what did they not understand? the loaves
- what was impacted? their heart
- in what manner? made stubborn

INTERPRETATION

- what is the relationship between the loaves and this?
- why did this impact their heart?
- why is there a singular heart with the plural "their"?
- why is "made stubborn" important? how does this relate to unbelief? what other uses of the word stubborn exist?