



## I. INTRO

### A. Why us?

**1 John 3:1a (NKJV) Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!**

- Being a child of God is a matter of faith

**Romans 1:16 (NKJV) For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes for the Jew first and also for the Greek.**

**1 John 3:1b-2 (NKJV) Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.**

- ### B. In between what we are and will be is, we know
- The conclusion you arrive at is based on the belief you start with

### C. The 5 Stones

## II. WHY NOT US?

### A. We think believing something is what makes it true

**If you believe that the proof of your faith is in what you're currently experiencing, then the moment you experience something contrary to what you were expecting, you'll begin to question.**

### B. You're here, but I want you to go there

**Matthew 14:22-24 (TLB) Immediately after this, Jesus told his disciples to get into their boat and cross to the other side of the lake while he stayed to get the people started home. Then afterwards he went up into the hills to pray. Night fell, and out on the lake the disciples were in trouble. For the wind had risen and they were fighting heavy seas.**

- Everyone faces storms
- ### C. Just because I don't see him doesn't mean he's not watching
- We want God to give us relief, but God wants to give us revelation

**Matthew 14:25 (TLB) About four o'clock in the morning Jesus came to them, walking on the water!**

**Matthew 14:28 (TLB) Then Peter called to him: "Sir, if it is really you, tell me to come over to you, walking on the water."**



D. Instead of what if, why not?

- Why is it easier to give in to the “fear” of ‘what if’ than it is to give in to the “faith” of ‘why not?’

### III. WHY NOT?

A. We are living in the times of the Gentiles

**Ephesians 5:15-16 (TPT) So be very careful how you live, not being like those with no understanding, but live honorably with true wisdom, for we are living in evil times. Take full advantage of every day as you spend your life for his purposes.**

- It may be an evil day, but there’s opportunity in it!

B. If it’s important to God, it should be important to us

C. Are you tripping over something that's not true?