

The image shows the spine of an old, thick book with many pages, bound in dark brown leather. The book is positioned on the left side of the frame, with its spine facing right. The pages are aged and yellowed, and the leather shows signs of wear and tear. The background is a dark, solid color, possibly black or dark brown, which makes the book and the text stand out.

# Matthew's Messiah

*The life and ministry of Jesus  
from Matthew's perspective*

22 Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.

<sup>23</sup> After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray.

Later that night, he was there alone,  
<sup>24</sup> and the boat was already a  
considerable distance from land,  
buffeted by the waves because the  
wind was against it.

<sup>25</sup> Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake.

<sup>26</sup> When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear.

27 But Jesus immediately said to them:  
“Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”

## Isaiah 41:10

So do not fear, for I am with you;  
Do not be dismayed, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you and help you;  
I will uphold you with my  
righteous right hand.



## Isaiah 41:13

For I am the Lord your God  
who takes hold of your right hand  
and says to you,  
'Do not fear; I will help you.'

28 “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied,  
“tell me to come to you on the water.”

When was the last time you  
prayed a Risky Prayer?