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What Are You Talking About?

¹⁴ And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them. ¹⁵ Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to Him, greeted Him. ¹⁶ And He asked the scribes, "What are you discussing with them?" Mark 9:14-16

Jesus asked religious teachers what they were talking about. I wonder if they were discussing anything of essential importance; or just the weather. Perhaps they missed the most important topic. They should have been talking about Jesus.



We can talk about the weather, sports, the economy, diet, etc. We can argue with others but we have something better to talk about; **Jesus' resurrection.** We cannot talk about those things for five or ten years before we bring up the truth that Jesus rose from the dead and He is ever living and we can be ever living with Him in heaven.

In seafarer ministry we don't have ten years; sometimes only ten minutes. Pray we get talking and stay on topic.

Topic of the Talk

These Chinese Christians could be talking about *food* to the seafarers, but before the end of the evening the topic was *faith*.



It's ok to talk about food but a great dessert topic is faith. These Chinese got the main meal plus a great dessert; news about Jesus' resurrection.



Pray that port missionaries around the world will stay focused on the topic of talk about our risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Singapore Talk

Please pray for a gathering to take place in Singapore. Port missionaries from other ports around the world will gather together after Easter in Singapore for some days.



This will be the first time in six years for some of us to meet. And for some it will be the first time ever to meet one another.



Pray for:

- 1. Safe travels for all.
- 2. Mutual encouragement to continue in ministry.
- 3. Talk about the things on the mind of the Lord always; same like Charlie and Lucy.



Talk the Talk

The scribes should have been talking about the one standing in front of them and we should be talking about the one inside of us. The believers here did talk about the Resurrected One in them.



Burmese Talk

This year there was a case on a ship in Tacoma where the crew had not been paid for months. Legal authorities as well as local unions spoke up on behalf of the crew.

The crew got their back wages. They won a victory.



Jesus won a victory over the grave. Pray that someday these Burmese will be saved and win a victory with belief in the resurrected Christ Jesus.