

Joyce Meyer: Have You Invited Jesus to Board Your Ship?

Joyce Meyer says Jesus wants to help you and save you—but He won't enter your life without permission. She compares it to a recent experience of a group of pastors she knew, who went night fishing off the coast of California.

"They hit a reef and had a pretty major boat accident. And all of them really got hurt," Meyer says. "Some of them were in really, really bad shape. They managed to radio the Coast Guard, and when the Coast Guard got there—which I guess this is a rule of the sea—they said, 'Permission to come aboard, sir.' That's interesting."

Meyer says that's a beautiful metaphor for Jesus' saving work in our own lives.

"Here they were bleeding and damaged and their lives were in a mess at that point, and they desperately needed help," Meyer says. "Like people without Christ: desperate, they need all kind of help. They're bleeding inside. They've got broken hearts. And yet Jesus won't come onboard without getting permission. So I think today, Jesus is saying to some people, 'Permission to come onboard, sir.'"

In the video, Meyer then leads people in the prayer of salvation. Watch it [here](#).