

Jesus Calms the Storms of Life

Mark 4:35-41; 5:1

35 And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.

36 And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships. 37 And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?

39 And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith? 41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him? 1 And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes.

A. Our Obedience to God's Word Will Be Tested

1. There arose a great storm of wind and waves. Mark 4:3-4; 13-15
2. Satan comes to steal the word you hear. Kings 17:10-15
3. Elijah and widow, "Give me to eat." Matt 19:21-22
4. Jesus and the rich young ruler, "Go and sell all that you have." 1 Cor 10:13; Isa 59:1
5. God will not allow you to be tested beyond what you are able.

B. Do You Question God's Goodness In a Storm?

1. Don't you care if we perish? Exodus 14:9-18
2. Israelites before crossing the Sea. John 11:21
3. Martha, "If you had been here, Lazarus wouldn't have died." Job 23:3, 8-9
4. Job, "Where are you God? I'm looking for you!" 2 Kings 5:9-14
5. Naaman the leper, "God wants me to do what?!"

C. Speak to the Storm

1. Peace, be still. Isaiah 26:3; Phil 4:6-7
2. Perfect calm starts from the heart and mind. 1 John 4:4; Rom 8:37
3. Greater is He that is in you. We are more than conquerors. Is 46:10; Mark 11:22
4. Call things that be not (Rom 4:17). Declare from beginning. Mark 11:23; Matt 17:20
5. Mountain moving faith; Mustard seed.

D. Grow Your Faith

1. Why are you so fearful? How is it that ye have no faith? John 16:33; James 1:2
2. You will have trials and temptations. Matt 7:24-27
A wise man builds his house on the rock.
3. James and John determined to call down fire. Luke 9:54
4. Peter asleep in prison before execution. Acts 12:5-8
5. With faith and patience you inherit the promises. Heb 6:12; 10:35-36