

## JESUS, LORD OVER THE STORM

JESUS HAS SPENT HIS DAY HEALING AND TEACHING PARABLES TO THE DISCIPLES...HE IS EXHAUSTED . NOW, THE GREAT TEACHER WILL TAKE HIS DISCIPLES INTO A SITUATION WHERE THEY WILL HAVE TO LIVE WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED. REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST AND HIS FAITHFULLNESS THROUGH TRIALS TURNS OUR IGNORANT FAITH TO KNOWING FAITH AND KNOWING FAITH INTO TO TESTED AND TRUSTED FAITH. STORMS COME TO THE RICH AND TO THE POOR. TO THE SAINT AND THE SINNER. THERE ARE DIFFERENT TYPES OF STORMS....STORMS THAT MEARLY IRRITATE AND INCONVIENENCE US, STORMS THAT COST US IN DAMAGES, AND STORMS THAT LITERALLY DEVISTATE OUR LIVES. YOU ARE EITHER COMING OUT OF A STORM, YOU ARE IN A STORM, OR HANG ON BABY CUZ I SMELL RAIN! IT IS NOT ENOUGH JUST TO KNOW THE TRUTH. WE MUST LEARN HOW LIVE THE TRUTH. FAITH GROWS SO IT MUST BE TRIED. BEFORE JESUS CAN SEND THE DISCIPLES OUT TO MINISTER AND EVANGELIZE, HE MUST SECURE THE FAITH IN THEM, IN THAT, HE IS LORD OVER ALL THINGS INCLUDING EVERYTHING ON THE EARTH. JESUS WANTED THEIR FOCUS TO BE SINGULAR WITHOUT DISTRACTION..JUST LIKE HE DOES OURS..SO HE MUST BRING THE DISCIPLES TO THE END OF THEMSELVES. JESUS IS STILL SENDING HIS DISCIPLES INTO STORMS TODAY. OUR FAITH IS REVEALED IN HOW WE RESPOND TO THE STORM/DIFFICULTIES OF LIFE. REMEMBER, HE ALREADY KNOWS EVERY SINGLE DIFFICULTY YOU WILL EVER ENCOUNTER.

PRAY

LUKE GROUPS TOGETHER 4 MIRACLES BACK TO BACK

VS.22-25 CALMING THE STORM, VS.26-39 CASTING A LEGION OF DEMONS OUT OF A MAN, VS. 43-48 THE WOMAN WITH THE ISSUE OF BLOOD WAS HEALED INSTANTLY BY THE HEM OF HIS GARMENT, VS.49-56 JESUS RAISED THE RULER OF THE SYNAGOGUE'S DAUGHTER FROM THE DEAD ALL TO SHOW THAT JESUS IS LORD OVER DIFFICULTY, DEMONIC, DISEASE, AND DEATH

TODAY WE WILL FOCUS ON THE FIRST OF THESE 4 MIRACLES. JESUS, LORD OVER THE STORM

**Luke 8:22-25 ESV**

22 One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they set out, 23 and as they sailed he fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger. 24 And they went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And he awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased, and there was a calm. 25 He said to them, "Where is your faith?" And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even winds and water, and they obey him?"

EXPLAIN AUTHORITY OF MARK'S GOSPEL. 70 AD ISH BECAUSE MARK'S VERSION OF THIS EVENT IN HIS GOSPEL IS MORE DETAILED, I'M GOING TO REFER TO IT TODAY

**Mark 4:35-36 ESV**

35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." 36 And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him.

THE VERY SAME DAY JESUS HEALED AND TAUGHT ALL DAY. THE CROWDS PRESSED FORWARD ALL DAY, SO MUCH SO, THAT JESUS HAD TO TEACH FROM THE BOAT. MARK IS SHOWING US WHAT A SERVANT OUR LORD WAS...SERVING THE PEOPLE IN OBEDIENCE TO THE FATHER.

HE'S EXHAUSTED TO THE MAX SO HE TELLS THE DISCIPLES, LETS GO

3 THINGS JESUS WAS DOING

HE NEEDED SOME REST...HE HAD BUISNESS ON THE OTHER SIDE... HE WANTED TO TEACH HIS DISCIPLES, THROUGH EXPERIENCE, WHAT HAVING FAITH IN HIM WOULD BE LIKE

STILL PEOPLE FOLLOWED IN BOATS IT WAS ABOUT THE TIME OF SUNSET TO TOTAL DARKNESS

**Mark 4:37 ESV**

37 And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling.

SUDDENLY, UNEXPECTANTLY....THERE WAS PEACE ON THE WATER WITH JESUS IN THE BOAT WHEN THEY STARTED...WE ALL EXPECT THAT DON'T WE...ALL THEY WANTED WAS TO TAKE A BREAK...SOUND FAMILIAR?

REF. DR. KENT HUGHES COMMENTARY ON MARK

“THE SEA OF GALILEE RESTS AT 628 FT. BELOW SEA LEVEL AND IS SURROUNDED BY MOUNTAINS GOUGED WITH DEEP RAVINES. IT IS REALLY LAKE GALILEE WHERE GIGANTIC FUNNELS OF WHIRLING WINDS DROP INTO THE EXTREMELY LOW AND FLAT VALLEY. AS THERMAL HEAT RISES FROM THE VALLEY, COLD AIR VIOLENTLY DROPS FROM ABOVE. MATTHEW USES THE GREEK WORD “SEISMOS” IN HIS GOSPEL. LITERALLY AND EARTHQUAKE OF A STORM. IT WAS AS THOUGH THE LAKE WAS BEING SHOOK. ON PORT AND STARBOARD GREAT DARK MOUNTAINS OF WATER ROSE AND WASHED OVER THE BOAT. AT ANY MOMENT THEY WOULD BE SWAMPED TO A WATERY GRAVE. IMAGINE THE STERN PLUNGE LIKE AN ELEVATOR IN A TROUGH OF A MOUNTAIN OF GREEN AND THEN RISE TO THE SKY LIKE A CARNIVAL RIDE.” DEATH WAS STARING THEM RIGHT IN THE FACE.

ALL WAS CALM WHEN THEY STARTED  
ALL OF A SUDDEN..OUT OF NO WHERE

WHERE ARE YOU JESUS?

YOU CAN'T REASON WITH MURDER  
YOU CAN'T NEGOTIATE WITH CANCER  
WHAT DO WE DO WHEN WE ARE FACED WITH SITUATIONS  
BEYOND OUR CONTROL?

**A FAITH THAT CANNOT BE TESTED IS A FAITH THAT  
CANNOT BE TRUSTED**

LIFE CAN AND WILL CHANGE QUICKLY AND DRASTICALLY  
FROM TIME TO TIME

NOBODY AVOIDS THE STORM, DIFFERENT STORMS  
CUSTOMIZED JUST FOR YOU TO WEATHER....BUT LOOK  
WHO'S IN THE BOAT

**Mark 4:38 ESV**

38 But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

JESUS IS NOT MOVED BY THE STORM, HE'S MOVED BY THE VOICES OF HIS OWN....THE ONE WHO MADE AND SENT THE STORM, IS NOT AFRAID OF IT NOR IS STRESSED OUT ABOUT IT IN ANY WAY. JESUS WAS GOING TO TURN THEIR KNOWING FAITH INTO TRUSTED TRIED FAITH

DON'T YOU CARE WE ARE DYING JESUS?! DON'T YOU CARE SEXUAL IMORALITY AND LIES IS DESTROYING MY MARRIAGE?!..DON'T YOU CARE MY KID IS STRUNG OUT?! DON'T YOU CARE THAT I'M LONELY? DON'T YOU CARE THAT I'M SCARED? I'M SCARED JESUS

SOMETIMES IT MIGHT FEEL LIKE GOD DOESN'T CARE

YOU SEE, THIS IS A STORY OF TWO STORMS...THE STORM THE DISCIPLES ARE FACING IS GREAT BUT THE UNBELIEF IN THEIR HEART, IS THE STORM JESUS IS WANTS TO CALM THE DISCIPLES ARE FACED WITH THEIR OWN UNBELIEF AND FEAR.

THEY FORGOT 3 THINGS

1. JESUS SAID " WE ARE GOING TO THE OTHER SIDE"
2. JESUS IS IN THE BOAT
3. JESUS IS AT PERFECT PEACE

BETTER TO BE IN THE STORM WITH JESUS THAN TO BE IN THE CALM WITHOUT HIM

THEY COULDN'T BE IN A BETTER PLACE, THEY WERE WITH GOD

THEY WEATHERED THE STORM ON THEIR OWN UNTIL THEY COULDN'T...THEY FINALLY RAN TO JESUS AND CONNECTED. DIFFERENT THAN YELLING FOR HIM AT THE FRONT OF THE BOAT

**Mark 4:39 ESV**

39 And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

JESUS SCREAMS "SIOPAO!! PHIMO!! " SHUT UP!! BE QUIET!! BE MUZZLED LIKE A WHIMPERING DOG !!

EVERYTHING SUDDENLY STOPPED DEAD CALM

ALL AUTHORITY OF HEAVEN AND EARTH HAS BEEN GIVEN TO JESUS CHRIST...HE SPEAKS AND IT IS SO

JESUS IS SHOWING HIS DISCIPLES THAT HE WILL USE HIS AUTHORITY TO BUILD HIS CHURCH  
I WILL BE WITH YOU, IN EVERY STORM

**Mark 4:40**

40 He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?"

AFRAID-DEILOS-COWARDLY

WHY ARE YOU SO AFRAID?

DO YOU STILL HAVE NO FAITH?

2 STORMS...ONE OF EXPERIENCE AND ONE OF UNBELIEF

**Mark 4:41**

41 And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

PHOBEOMAI / PHOBOS MEGAS-TERRIFIED, A DEEP REVERENCE, AWE

WHEN THEY REALIZED THE GOD OF THE UNIVERSE WAS IN THEIR BOAT, THEY WERE IN AWE

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN AWE OF GOD?

OTHERS ARE ON THE LAKE...WHICH BOAT DO YOU THINK THEY WERE WATCHING IN THE STORM?

JESUS NEVER PROMISED A LIFE WITH NO DIFFICULTY HE PROMISED ETERNAL LIFE FOUND ONLY IN HIS DEATH AND RESSURECTION

YOU MIGHT BE WET WHEN YOU GET THERE BUT YOUR GETTING TO THE OTHER SIDE

SOME OF US KEEP WEATHERING THE STORM AT THE FRONT OF THE BOAT...WE AREN'T EVEN TRYING TO TALK TO JESUS

BETTER OR BITTER?  
WHERE ARE YOU AT TODAY?

**Philippians 4:4-7 ESV**

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness[a] be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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