

Jesus, The Sovereign Lord Over Every Storm (Mark 4:35-41)

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Scripture Reading - Mark 4:35-41 (Matthew 8:23-27 & Luke 8:22-25)

Main Idea - Jesus is Lord over both the storms of nature as well as the storms of life. He alone determines the type of the storm, the severity of the storm & the length of the storm. **How we respond to the storms is the true test of faith in Him!!!**

Point to Ponder – Instead of asking Jesus why, ask Him what are You using this storm to teach me.

The Good Shepherd will lead His sheep into the midst of difficulties. Here are 7 things to consider when going through life's inevitable storms:

- I. *Jesus will lead us into storms.*
V. 35-36 - **Jesus led** His disciples into the ship (the storm). They followed Him. Jesus knew they would reach the other side.
Psalm 23:4 & Psalm 37:23.
- II. *Jesus is aware of our storms before it even takes place.*
V. 37 - Jesus, **in His omniscience**, knew a storm was coming before even getting into the boat. Isaiah 46:9-10 & John 21:17
- III. *Jesus never panics.*
38 - **Jesus never panicked** during the storm. He was at complete peace and rested in the midst of it, even sleeping on a pillow. Psalm 4:8, Isaiah 26:3-4 & 2 Thessalonians 3:16
- IV. *Realize your need for Jesus.*
38 - The disciples **realized their need for Jesus** to save them, and referred to Him as their Master. Psalm 50:15, Psalm 34:4-6 & Jeremiah 17:7
- V. *Don't forget that Jesus is always with you.*
39 - The disciples were afraid because **they took their eyes off of Who** was in the ship with them. Hebrews 13:5-6 & Joshua 1:9
- VI. *Jesus will test our faith.*
V. 40 - Storms come **to test our faith**. James 1:2-4, 1 Peter 1:6-9, Psalm 66:10, James 1:12 & 1 Peter 4:12-13

VII. *Make it a habit to worship Jesus daily before storms come.* Psalm 146:1-2 & Psalm 106:1

V. 41 - The disciples worshipped Him **“after”** He calmed the storm.

A Prayer of True Faith – Father, I’m trusting in You to allow this storm to take as long as necessary to conform me into the image of Jesus.

Famous Quote: “Sometimes God calms the storm and sometimes He calms his child.”

- John H. Groberg, *The Other Side of Heaven*