

April 23, 2017  
Luke 8:22-25

## **Life In The Midst Of A Storm**

### **I. Introduction: Life In A Storm**

### **II. Lessons From a Storm.**

#### **A. Sometimes We Will Face Storms In Our Lives (vs. 23-24)**

As they sailed, he fell asleep. A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger. [24] The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!" He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm.

#### **B. When We Are In A Storm We May Think That We Are Out of God's Will.**

"Let's cross over to the other side of the lake." Luke 8:22

#### **C. When We Are In A Storm We May Think That God Doesn't Care.**

"...was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion." Mark 4:38

**D. When We Are In A Storm We May React In Fear Rather Than Faith (vs. 24)**

“Lord, save us we are going to drown.” Matthew 8:25

“Master, Master, we’re going to drown.” Luke 8:24

“Teacher, don’t you care if we drown.” Mark 4:38

**E. When In A Storm, Faith Will Keep You From Being Afraid. (vs. 24-25)**

“ He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm. [25] "Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples. In fear and amazement they asked one another, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him." Luke 8:24-25

**F. We Disappoint The Lord When We Give In To Fear (vs. 25a.)**

*“In fear and amazement they asked one another, “Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him.” Luke 8:25*

**III. Conclusion and Application:**

**Prayer:** God give me a faith, that will help me stand when my feet are weary and sore, where there is no sun and the road is one I’ve never been on before. Give me a faith that will see me through when hope gives way to despair, when my strength is gone no use to go on, for no one is left to care. God give me a faith, the only faith, that through the years will abide, faith enough to seek God’s help when I’m weak and know that I will not be denied.

**POINTS TO PONDER**  
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**Week of April 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>**  
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**Open It**

1. \*What is it like to fear for your physical safety?
2. How do you react to someone else's utter calm when all you feel is panic?

**Explore It**

3. Whom did Jesus ask to accompany Him? (8:22)
4. Where did Jesus and His disciples go? How? (8:22)
5. What happened after Jesus and His disciples set sail? (8:23)
6. \*How did Jesus react to the growing storm? (8:23)
7. \*What did the disciples think of the turn of events? (8:24)
8. How and how quickly did the situation change? (8:24)
9. After the storm was calmed, what did Jesus ask the disciples? (8:25)
10. \*What emotions overwhelmed the disciples? (8:25)
11. What did the disciples realize about Jesus' identity? (8:25)
12. What did the disciples see of Jesus' manner? (8:25)

### **Get It**

13. What is faith?
14. \*If you had been in the boat that day, would you have been more like Jesus or like the disciples? Why?
15. Would you have been reassured or angered by Jesus' calmness?
16. \*How would you respond if Jesus asked you, "Where is your faith?"
17. Why do you suppose the disciples asked each other who Jesus was, rather than asking Jesus?
18. How should the knowledge of Jesus' supreme authority affect our faith?

### **Apply It**

19. What can you do today to build up your faith in Jesus for the next time you feel overwhelmed?
20. \*In what way can you show your assurance in God's ability to rescue His people?