

The Perfect Storm **Mark 4:35-41**

The BIG Question ... What are you _____ of?

The BIG Idea ... Fear-overcoming _____ is found only in Jesus.

The BIG Connection ...

- Mark is pivoting from a _____ sequence to an _____ sequence.
- This action sequence is connected to the four parables Jesus has just taught—He is going to prove to the disciples that He is the King promised in the Old Testament.
- So we will know that true _____ is found in Him alone.

“Let us go across to the other side.” (verses 35-38)

- These aren't just words of _____; these are words of _____ ...
- And _____.
- One of the reasons God has given us His Word is to prepare us for the storms that are coming.
- There are times we encounter a storm _____ we are following Jesus.
- In the storm we learn to _____ what we know about the identity of Jesus to our everyday life of following Jesus.
- God is using every storm to work _____—propelling us to our promised destination.

“Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” (verse 38)

- When the storm hits, we will be tempted to question Jesus' _____ for us.
John 13:1, “When Jesus knew that His hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.”

“Peace, be still.” (verse 39)

- If Jesus can instantaneously shut down a deadly storm, he can also make the small mustard seed of God's kingdom grow so large that it dwarfs all other kingdoms.
- If these men are going to be instrumental in advancing God's kingdom, they must know that Jesus possesses the _____ to pull off what He has promised.
- Every storm we encounter serves His good purposes and fulfills His good promises.
- Jesus doesn't always still the storm _____ us, sometimes He stills the storm _____ us.
Psalm 56:3-4, “When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?”

“Why are you still afraid? Have you still no faith?” (verse 40)

- Often there's a difference between what we _____ to believe in the calm and what we _____ believe in the storm.

“Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?” (verse 41)

- This is the storm after the _____.
- Their fear of the storm has been displaced by a “_____” fear of Jesus.
- Psalm 107:25-30 ...

Romans 5:8-9, “But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.”

The BIG Takeaway ... _____! Isaiah 26:3, “You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you.”