



WEEK FOUR
June 21, 2020

Surviving The Storm
Text: Mark 4: 35-41

Big Idea: We need to know how to survive the storms of life.

Memory verse: "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45

Weekly Ministry Items

Announcements: _____

Outreach/Ministry Reports: _____

Prayer Time: _____

Group Lesson Plan:

Paraphrase the Text: _____

Read the Text: _____

Facilitate Bible Study: _____

Discussion Questions:

Icebreaker: Can you think of a time when you were fearful of losing your life? What was it like? What did you do?

What is the context of verse 35? What exactly did Jesus ask His disciples to do? Do you think Jesus knew this was going to be more than just a simple, uneventful boat ride? According to verse 36, were they alone on the water? Who do you think those people were?

Verse 37 describes more than just a rain shower. This was a horrific storm that was life-threatening to everyone on the water. Do you think the disciples anticipated this storm? Have you ever been caught off guard by a storm in your life (health, financial, relationships, etc)? How did you feel?

According to verse 38, Jesus slept while the storm raged. What does this tell us about the humanity and deity of Christ? How did the disciples react when they found Jesus asleep? Have you ever felt that God was “asleep at the wheel” when you were facing a crisis? How did you respond? Read Matthew 6: 31-33. Is God ever really “asleep at the wheel”? Is there a promise to claim today as you face a storm?

What did Jesus do after the disciples awakened Him (v.39)? What do we learn about Jesus from His actions and the results? Why do you think God allows His followers to experience terrifying storms? What life-lessons have you learned from storms you’ve experienced? When is the last time you have shared those lessons with someone who is experiencing a similar storm? Read Psalm 105. Stories are made to be told!

Today, we frequently hear people say things like, “I’m relying on my faith to get me through this.” Upon what or in whom, are we to place our faith? Who or what are you trusting in for salvation? If you can trust Jesus with your eternal salvation, you can trust Him with your daily needs. He will never allow you to drown in a sea of despair.

Have you ever had an experience similar to the disciples in verse 41? Read 2 Peter 3: 18. How has God revealed Himself to you in your past trials and storms? (Healer, Provider, Refuge, Counselor, Deliverer, Savior, etc).

As an act of worship, stop and pray. Delight in Him and thank Him for His activity in your lives.

Teaching To Obey (Matt. 28:20):

In response to God’s revealed truth in your life, what action steps will you take today to obey His will? Are there:

Sins to confess? Promises to claim? Attitudes to change? Commands to obey? Examples to follow?

Our text for June 28: Mark 6: 30-44