

Sermon: Fear and Faith in the Storms of Life
Series: N/A

Scripture: Mark. 4:35-41
Date: March 29, 2020

OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1) What does this passage teach us about Jesus?

- a) How does the story reveal Jesus unlimited power and his unstoppable love?
- b) Has Jesus ever challenged your faith? Can you hear him asking, “why are you afraid?”
- c) The sea is uncontrollable but Jesus is as uncontrollable as the sea. You can’t control Jesus but you can trust him. Have you been trying to control Jesus or have you been trusting him?

2) What does this passage teach us about us (mankind)?

- a) What do we learn about fear from this passage? What do we learn about faith?
- b) Can you relate to the disciple’s response to the storm? Have you ever asked Jesus if he cares?
- c) The disciples went from being afraid of the storm to fearing Jesus. The only way to defeat fear is to replace fear with fear. How can you make this transition in your heart today?

3) What does this passage teach us about salvation/grace? How does it point to Christ?

- a) As the greater Jonah, Jesus entered into the ultimate storm for us. How does his death for you allow you to trust him in the lesser storms of life?

APPLICATION

How can you help others experience the rest of Jesus this week?

PRAYER

Praise Jesus for his power over death and his love as displayed in the cross.

Confess your fears to Jesus today.

Ask God to help you trust his love for you in every storm of life.