Peace, Be Still

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- 35 And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.
 36 And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was in the ship. And there were also
- 37 And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

with him other little ships.

38 And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?

Mark 4:35-41 - continued

- 39 And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.
- 40 And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?
- 41 And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

Introduction

- A. Christ's long day of preaching
 - 1. The parable of the sower (4:3-9)
 - 2. The candle under a bushel (4:21-23)
 - **3.** The coming harvest (**4:26-29**)
 - 4. The mustard seed (4:30-32)



Introduction

B. But the day is not over with Jesus

"Let us pass over unto the other side."



- A. A great promise of a journey with Jesus
 - 1. Given by Jesus
- 2 Peter 1:4a

Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: ...

- 2. Fulfilled by Jesus
- 2 Corinthians 1:20

For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

- B. The Christian life is like this journey of promise
 - 1. We may be weary when He calls us

Psalm 30:5b

...in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

2. We decide to travel with Him

Colossians 2:6

As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:

- B. The Christian life is like this journey of promise continued
 - 3. He goes with us the entire journey

Isaiah 52:12

For ye shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight: for the Lord will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your reward.

- B. The Christian life is like this journey of promise continued
- 4. We are guaranteed safe passage to heaven John 14:3

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also

1 Thessalonians 4:17

Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Be sure you are traveling with Jesus

II. The Peril Brought By The Storm (4:37)

A. The great storm caused great despair Job 27:21

The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.

- B. Lessons from the disciples in the storm
 - 1. They were obeying, yet the storm came
 - 2. They were traveling with Jesus, yet the storm came
 - 3. They were in the center of His will, yet the storm came
- 2 Timothy 3:12

Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

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- C. Storms come to us all
- 2 Corinthians 1:6-7
- 6 And whether we be afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation and salvation.
- 7 And our hope of you is stedfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation.

II. The Peril Brought By The Storm (4:37)

D. Storms should drive us to Jesus

Isaiah 25:4

For thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.

Isaiah 32:2

And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

A. Jesus knew the storm would come

Psalm 107:24-26

- 24 These see the works of the LORD, and his wonders in the deep.
- 25 For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.
- 26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble.

B. He was equipped to send the storm away Psalm 107:29

He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

Psalm 50:15

And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

- C. He chose to go through the storm with His disciples Psalm 139:7-10
- 7 Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
- 8 If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.
- 9 If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
- 10 Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me.

- D. The storm enabled them to measure their faith
 - 1. They learned that Christ is with us in storms
 - 2. They learned that He is up to any occasion
- E. Different storms for different purposes
 - 1. Jonah's storm Bring him back to the Lord
 - 2. Paul's storm Provide witnessing opportunities
 - 3. This storm Build the disciples' faith
- F. Don't judge the purpose of another's storm John 7:24
- Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

Christ Gives His Two-Part Command John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Psalm 46:10

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.