

Who Is This?!

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“³⁵ On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶ And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. ³⁷ And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. ³⁸ But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion. And they woke him and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹ And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. ⁴⁰ He said to them, “Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹ “And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?” MARK 4:35-41

Observations:

6. Storms are a reality for unbelievers and followers of Christ—no one is _____!

(vv. 35-36)

“If you have a God great and transcendent enough [for you] to be mad at because he hasn’t stopped evil and suffering in the world, then you have (at the same moment) a God great and transcendent enough to have good reasons for allowing it to continue that you can’t know. Indeed, you can’t have it both ways.”

-Tim Keller, *The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism*

“The only thing that is going to prevent you from watching everyone you know die from murder, accident, or disease, is your own death by murder, accident, or disease.” -Clay Jones

5. _____ and fellow _____ are with us in the boat. (v. 36)

4. Jesus is _____ for the storm. (vv. 35, 38; Isaiah 45:6-7)

3. Storms expose the _____ views of ourselves and Christ, and reveal and refine our _____. (v. 38; Romans 5:3-4; James 1:2-4)

“When you begin your work, you will be buffeted in numerous ways. The trials will be like blows. Remember, these blows will bring out only what is in you.” -Hudson Taylor, Founder of China Inland Mission

2. The storms of life prepare us for future _____ & future
_____. (2 Corinthians 1:3-4; John 16:33)

The One Essential Truth:

1. Jesus is the _____, our _____! (vv.
39-41, Mark Ch. 5; John 6:40)