



## YOUTH SUNDAY: STORMS

### GETTING STARTED

In the middle of the storms of life it's easy to begin to question who God is and His care for us in our lives. Our text today tells us that in the midst of the storm we can either get lost in the waves or look to Jesus. Storms don't lead to our destruction but rather our dependence and faith on a Saviour.

### READ THE TEXT: Mark 4:35-41

<sup>35</sup>On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. And other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>And a great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. <sup>38</sup>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?" <sup>39</sup>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. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>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?"

### UNDERSTAND THE TEXT

1. Why do you think the disciples wake Jesus up? Did they want Him to calm the storm or to take cover?
2. Why are the disciples still "terrified" even after Jesus calms the storm?

### APPLY THE TEXT

1. What's the biggest storm you've walk through in your life? What did God teach you? Did He make His presence known to you in the midst of the storm? If so, how?



2. While Jesus' calming of the storm instilled a whole different fear in the disciples than the fear of the storm itself, how does their confession in verse 41 also instill hope? How does knowing who Jesus is and what He's accomplished on the cross bring comfort to you in midst of the storms?

## SHARE & PRAY

- Storms in life happen to everyone at some point or another. You don't need to carry those burdens alone. Bring your troubles to Jesus and bring them to your Life Group community. Jesus meets us in our distress and one of the ways He does that is through His Church, mobilized to serve, and bless, and walk alongside you. Share with one another, pray for one another, and see how you might serve one another.
- Share evidences of God's grace (praises) that you're seeing in your lives and the lives of those around you.
- Pray missional prayers (that Jesus would build His church, that people in your life would come to Christ, that He would activate gifts, service, and mission more and more in our church).

