The Storms of Life – John 6:14–21

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Most Important Point

Jesus will use the storms in your life as pavement for His feet in order to reach you in a life-transforming way.

W Key Scripture

John 6:20 (NLT)

"But he called out to them, 'Don't be afraid. I am here!"

Overview & Key Points

- Storms come even when we obey Jesus.
- He sees us in the storm even when it feels like He's far away.
- His timing often stretches us, but He comes in the right moment.
- His presence is his provision.
- When we worship Him in the storm, He brings us to the other side.

E Sermon Flow & Section Summaries

- 1. Sent Into the Storm (Matthew 14:22, John 6:16–17)
- Jesus insisted they get in the boat knowing the storm was coming.
- Obedience doesn't always lead to comfort. It may lead to testing.
- 2. Obeying Into Trouble (John 6:18, Matthew 14:24)
- The disciples faced torment from the storm while doing exactly what Jesus said.
- Sometimes faith leads us into storms not around them.
- 3. Storms of Obedience vs. Disobedience (Jonah 1, Romans 8:18)
- Storms of obedience lead to reward. Storms of disobedience bring consequences.
- 4. Jesus Sees You from the Mountain (Mark 6:48)
- Mark 6:48 says Jesus saw them struggling against the waves.
- He had never lost sight of them and He hasn't lost sight of you.
- 5. He Comes in the Fourth Watch (Matthew 14:25)
- Jesus came during the darkest part of the night.
- He often waits until we've reached the end of our own strength.

6. I Am Here (John 6:19-20, Psalm 23:4)

- Jesus doesn't say, "I'll fix it," but, "I am here."
- His presence is the answer. Fear vanishes when He is near.

7. Peter's Faith and Cry (Matthew 14:28-31)

- Peter walks in faith, sinks in fear, and cries out, "Save me!"
- Jesus immediately saves him just like He will for us.

8. Worship and the Other Side (Matthew 14:32–33, John 6:21)

- They received Jesus eagerly into the boat and worshiped him.
- Suddenly, they were at the other side of the storm.

Personal Reflection Questions

- If you are in a storm right now, How is Jesus using this storm to try to reach you in a life-changing way?
- Have you invited Him into your boat in the midst of the storm— and are you worshiping Him there?

△ Final Challenge & Prayer

Are you in a storm today? If it's a storm that came through obedience — know that Jesus sees you. He is with you. He will walk through it with you. Willingly receive Him into your storm. Worship Him right where you are. And He will bring you to the other side.

If it's a storm caused by disobedience — Jesus is calling you to turn to Him. Cry out to Him in repentance. Truly make Him Lord of your life — right in the middle of your storm. And He will save you.

Lord Jesus, thank You for seeing me in the storm. I receive You into this trial. I worship You and trust You to bring me through. Strengthen my faith, help me walk with You, and bring me to the other side in Your perfect time. In Your name, Amen.