

**It Is Well**  
Luke 8:16-25

- Jesus, as King of His perplexing kingdom, will \_\_\_\_\_ us to \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.
  
- Jesus, as King of His perplexing kingdom, is not \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ us.
  
- Jesus, as King of His perplexing Kingdom, always calls the \_\_\_\_\_ of His \_\_\_\_\_.

**QUESTIONS FOR FURTHER REFLECTION:**

1. For the past few weeks we have been in the fourth section of our study of the Gospel of Luke. We have titled this section *The Perplexing Kingdom* because often Jesus conducts His kingdom in ways that do not make sense to us. Take some times as a group and discuss ways in which the Kingdom of God can be perplexing to you.
  
2. Take some time and re-read Luke 8:22-25. In this familiar passage of Scripture we see Jesus calm a storm that was threatening the lives of His disciples. What are some situations the Lord has allowed in your life that stretched you, teaching you things about Jesus and yourself?
  
3. Hardship, whether it health, financial, relational, etc. can often shake us deep into our core. Many times it is in these times that Jesus gets our undivided attention and reveals to us idols that we may not know we even struggle with. When you think back to times of hardship in your life, what was the idol(s) that Jesus was trying to reveal to you?
  
4. In our study of the Gospel of Luke we have talked about how Jesus is a benevolent King. We often think of this in terms of blessing that He bestows and the forgiveness that He extends to those who are His. Sunday, we learned that Jesus loves us too much to leave us in the condition in which he found us when He called us to himself. Many times, as much as we may not like it, Jesus allows hardship in our lives to conform us into His image when otherwise we might not be willing or able to make this transformation. As hard as these times of hardship can be, when you talk to people who are following Christ, it is often these times, and what they learned through them, that they hold most dear as they press on in their journey of faith. Would you say the same for yourself? Take time and share how this is so with your group.