

# "Lord, Don't You Care?"

Mark 4:35-41

The Sea of Galilee  
Tiberias, Israel

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## A. Today's Text

**Mark 4:35–41, ESV** - <sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] 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, "[Lord], 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?"

The Key to Understand This Story Lies in One Critical Question:

## Whose idea was it to get into the boat in the first place?

"No storms, no faith; few storms, little faith; many storms, much faith!"

- An Old Anglican Saying

## B. Lessons the Disciples Learned

### 1. They Learned about His Power.

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**Mark 4:35–41, MSG** - <sup>39</sup> "Awake now, he told the wind to pipe down and said to the sea, 'Quiet! Settle down!'"

### 2. They Learned about His Promises.

**Mark 4:35, 5:1 ESV** - <sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, [Jesus] said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>1</sup> And they came to the other side of the sea...

### 3. They Learned about His Presence.

**Mark 4:41, ESV** - <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?"

## C. Thoughts About This Story

1. Every storm is an opportunity for God to teach you something about Himself.
2. Live and "turn on a dime."
3. We've all asked, "Lord, don't you care?" (Answer: "Yes, He does!")
4. There were two storms that night: One on the lake and one in their hearts.
5. Just like then, the winds and seas *still* obey Him.
6. **MOST IMPORANT:** You must get Jesus in your boat!
7. **MOST SIGNIFICANT:** If Jesus is in your boat, you don't have to fear!