The Signs: Turmoil and the Miracle of Faith Mark 4:35-41

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- Last Week: Mark 4:21-34 Discipleship 101
- Overview Of Mark 1-4
- Pattern Mark 4-9— The trilogies of signs and teaching revealing who Jesus is
 - The Signs: Calming of the storm (**4:35-41**)
 - The Signs: Healing of the Demoniac (5:1-20)
 - The Signs: Healing of the two women (5:21-43)

The storms of life

- 1. The <u>Humanity</u> and <u>Deity</u> of Christ (**4:35-36, 38**)
- 2. Geography of Galilee (**4:37**)
- 3. Following Jesus led the Disciples to and through a storm (4:35-36)
 - God is with us in the calm and the storm (Psalm 23)
- 4. Storms come in our life as well! (4:37)
 - <u>Sometimes</u> our storms are self-inflicted (Jonah 1:3-4)

How do we respond to the storm?

- 1. Faith vs. Hard work (4:37)
- 2. Faith vs. Fear/Panic/Anxiety (4:38)
- 3. Faith vs. Anger (Mark 4:38, Job 2:9)
- 4. Faith (**4:40**)

What is God revealing in the storm?

1. His power over nature (4:39)

- 2. The Disciples fear and lack of faith (4:40)
- 3. Face to face with reality:
 - δειλός (deilos) afraid, cowardly, timid, fainthearted (little fear) (4:40)
 - φόβος (phobos), fear, respect, awe, terror (<u>BIG</u> Fear!) (4:41)

4. Miracles lead to questions: Who is this? (4:41)

• Questions lead to faith (Mark 8:27-30, Jonah 1)

What are the storms of life you are facing? How are you responding: In Fear of the storm, or with Faith in God?

Community Group Discussion Questions:

- 1. What storms am I facing? What is God teaching me in these storms?
- 2. When storms come, what is your natural tendency? Do you lean towards hard work, fear and anxiety, anger, doubting, or faith?
- 3. What would faith and assurance look like in my life during storms and trials?
- 4. If you aren't in a storm and everything is going well, what is God calling you to do in this time to help those that are in stormy waters.

Key Words For Kids To Count: Faith