

ROADBLOCKS

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

Fear

Three Schools of Belief:

- What I **THINK**. What I **SAY**. What I **DO**.

We can think great things about God. We can even say great things about God. But what we DO tells the entire world what we really think and believe about God. Discuss various ways you've been led to demonstrate your faith through your actions. Share a time when you've seen another member of your life group DO something that reflected a real faith in Christ.

Philippians 2:12-13; Matthew 7:16-20; James 1:22-25

Three Truths:

- Storms are **UNAVOIDABLE**. Storms are **UNPREDICTABLE**. Storms are **UNCONTROLLABLE**. Describe a storm in your life that was/is bigger than you could ever handle without God. How was your storm unavoidable, unpredictable, or uncontrollable? Did your storm reveal something to you about God that you could not have discovered otherwise?

Matthew 19:26; Exodus 14:14; 2 Corinthians 4:8-10; Philippians 3:10-11

Storms are **INEVITABLE**. Fear is **OPTIONAL**.

Key Discoveries:

- His **PRESENCE**. His **POWER**. His **PEACE**. His **PERSPECTIVE**.

Though fearful and faithless in this story in Mark 4, the disciples went on to boldly proclaim the Gospel all over the world and build the foundation of the church that we still have today. Discuss what the disciples learned about Jesus in the "key discoveries" listed above that transformed their ability to endure storms. How might we face our fears when it comes to telling others about the life saving grace of Jesus Christ? What can be gained by our willingness to share our hope with those around us?

Mark 4:35-41; Psalm 34:4; John 16:33; 1 Peter 3:15

What's Next

- Faith up, don't freak out! Fears are not all bad, but letting them control us is.
- Don't do life alone. Include others in your decisions. Keep your focus on the cross.