

**Sermon Notes**  
**June 23, 2019 – Mark 4:35-41**  
**Life With God 3: Life With Hope**

**Summary:** We live in a world where chaos can erupt from surprising sources and change our lives forever. But the Good News is that Jesus came into this world to bring us a hope that is stronger than the chaos around us and in us.

**Intro:** The Boxing Day Tsunami (Dec 26, 2004)

**I. Jesus Calms the Storm** (Mark 4:35-41)

- A. The biblical association of chaos with the \_\_\_\_\_
- B. The 4 \_\_\_\_\_ Postures
  - a. Life Under God (obedience)
  - b. Life Over God (following principles)
  - c. Life From God (fulfillment of our personal desires)
  - d. Life For God (finding significance in mission)
- C. Two Problems With Using Religion to Gain Hope
  - 1. Any hope we gain is a \_\_\_\_\_ hope
  - 2. Hope is only offered to those who \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. It robs us of our dignity when we fail to conform
    - b. Illustration: The religious Pharisees and Jesus

**II. Life With God and Hope**

- A. Life With God (relationship with God)
- B. Our hope is in \_\_\_\_\_ (on 2 levels)
  - 1. Cosmic Hope – God’s promise to renew & restore all \_\_\_\_\_ (higher altitude hope)
    - a. God created order out of chaos through creation

- b. Humanity was thrown into chaos through rebellion
- c. God’s presence with us gives us hope in the storm  
(Mk. 4:35-41)
- d. God will dispel all chaos & we will live with him in  
peace in the new creation (Rev. 21:1)

2. Personal Hope – God’s promise to renew & restore  
\_\_\_\_\_ (lower altitude hope)

C. We do not need to lose our \_\_\_\_\_ in order to  
gain hope

### III. Part 3 - Connecting with Hope

A. American slaves & “Hush harbors”

B. Our \_\_\_\_\_ for hush harbors

### Conclusion

A. Peace & dignity that defies our \_\_\_\_\_ – Praying  
Jacob

B. Life with God can be lived \_\_\_\_\_ by anyone

C. Challenge: To build times and places into our lives that can  
be our “hush harbors” (regular times of corporate &  
personal worship)

D. Application: What are some steps you can take toward  
building “hush harbors” into your life?

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