

HE SEES YOU

This morning I want everyone to hear what the Lord has for you this morning

Jesus has power over the storms that force their way into our lives

Whatever you're facing today, He sees you!

Mark 6:45-51 NKJV Immediately He ^[a]made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while He sent the multitude away. ⁴⁶ And when He had sent them away, He departed to the mountain to pray. ⁴⁷ Now when evening came, the boat was in the middle of the sea; and He *was* alone on the land. ⁴⁸ Then He saw them straining at rowing, for the wind was against them. Now about the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea, and would have passed them by. ⁴⁹ And when they saw Him walking on the sea, they supposed it was a ghost, and cried out; ⁵⁰ for they all saw Him and were troubled. But immediately He talked with them and said to them, "Be ^[b] of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." ⁵¹ Then He went up into the boat to them, and the wind ceased. And they were greatly amazed in themselves beyond measure, and marveled.

Some things we do know, Jesus had just fed more than 5000 hungry and tired people with 5 loaves and 2 fish and He was exhausted and needed to get alone to pray

He sent His disciples across the lake that was no more than 5 miles wide. Probably about 5:30 pm and they rowed for about 9 hours, using up all their strength against the strong winds, and they were only about halfway across the lake

They were spent and probably thought they weren't going to make it.

What struggle are you facing this morning? He sees you!

V. 46-48

Jesus was praying and His disciples were in the middle of the sea struggling and straining because of the fierce winds they had battled all night

Jesus had separated Himself from His disciples on purpose, He probably also knew this would turn into a faith-building exercise

But remember this, the disciples were not sent out to fail, but to succeed!

Jesus was aroused from His prayer time and He saw His disciples struggling in the middle of their mess!

About 3 in the morning He went to them walking on the water – He saw them in their struggle!

Here's something very comforting – when you're struggling with life, He sees you – but not only that, He's making His way to you!

Jesus came walking on the very sea that was controlling, tiring, and greatly troubling them

Think about this: the very sea that had been their source of livelihood now became their worst enemy!

Even familiar things can turn around and bring you pain but don't forget He sees you!

v. 49

In the middle of your storm when it seems like you're going to drown, Jesus is walking toward you on top of the very thing that makes you fearful and out of your control!

Keep your eyes on Jesus. He came right to them and they thought He was a ghost, they were thinking everything just got worse, their troubles multiplied and they cried out!

Church, He moves at the sound of our cries!

What they thought was a ghost was the very One coming to calm their storm and rescue them!

Don't miss the One who holds your miracle!

v. 50-51

They were afraid so He spoke to them in a voice they knew – church His presence changes everything!

He got in the boat and the wind ceased and the sea calmed and the disciples' mouth fell open in utter amazement

You noticed when He saw them struggling, He came to them, then He took control of the sea which was the enemy of the disciples in that moment

What's your enemy you're battling today?

This passage shows me Jesus' authority is over anything that tries to manipulate, trouble, control, or cause you to drift – He is greater!

This morning He sees you in your struggle. He takes no pleasure in your pain but will produce the miraculous through your life struggles

Today, whatever is causing you great fear is no match for His great power!

Hear me today – He sees you!