

Morning Lesson

FROM FEAR TO FAITH

Luke 8:22-25

INTRO:

1. Jesus and His apostles faced a fierce storm.
2. Jesus acted boldly and decisively.
3. The details of the story suggest some truths that we also should ponder.

I. JESUS MODELED A CALM FAITH. Luke 8:23

- A. The disciples may have wondered what had allowed Jesus to sleep during a terrible storm.
- B. He knew His Father. **Matt. 11:27**
- C. We can conquer our storms. **Rom. 8:18, 37**

II. JESUS CARED EVEN THOUGH THE DISCIPLES DIDN'T REALIZE IT. Luke 8:24

- A. They thought they were about to drown. **Matt. 8:25; Mark 4:38**
- B. Jesus' power over the storm demonstrated His capability to deliver His disciples. **Luke 8:24**
- C. These forces were beyond the control of the disciples, but Jesus showed that He is in control of them.

III. JESUS MOVED THE DISCIPLES FROM FEAR TO FAITH. Luke 8:25

- A. Jesus asked them afterwards, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?" **Mark 4:40**
- B. Christians need not be afraid. **2 Tim. 1:7**
- C. Life's storms are real; but the faithful know that God rules, He cares, and He does great things through His people.
- D. The disciples' response included both fear and inquiry. **Luke 8:25**

CONC:

1. These responses to life's struggles are not necessarily opponents of great faith.
2. Fear and questioning can become the foundation for reverence and respect.
3. When we recognize his power and desire to deliver us from our storms, we too should honor and worship him.