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Topic: With Jesus in the Storms of Life

Scripture Text: Mark 4:35-41

- 1. Everyone, including Christians, faces our storms of life in failures, rejections, troubles etc. We cannot escape from it. For Christians, we know that the Lord does not afflict us unnecessarily.
- 2. From Mark 4:35-41, we learn 3 lessons in weathering the storms of life. First, the Lord is in control of everything. Jesus told the disciples that they would pass over to the other side of the sea. He would make it happen. He did not say there is no storm in that journey. The disciples were afraid when they saw the storm and thought that they would die. They looked at their own problem and failed to realize that Jesus was with them throughout the storm.
- 3. Secondly, the Lord cares. The Lord Jesus was sleeping while the disciples were panicking in the storm and they came to Jesus asking if He cares if they would perish. Surely Jesus cares. He commanded the storm to cease and it brought peace to the boat and the disciples. The Lord has a purpose in delaying to stop the storm.
- 4. Thirdly, the Lord challenges us in our faith and trust in Him. Jesus rebuked the disciples why they were fearful and of little faith. Often the real test of our faith comes in the storms of life. Fair weather faith is no faith at all. Let us learn to trust in the Lord at all times.