



SMALL GROUPS | CURRICULUM

SERMON TITLE	DATE
Title: Faith in the Face of Fear (Mark 4:35 – 41)	June 19, 2016

Tools: pen, pencils, your notes from the sermon

The condition of my heart is revealed by my response to God's Word in my life!

Read: Mark 4– 5:13

A. Read the parallel passages, Matthew 8:18 – 27, and Luke 8:22 – 25. What similarities do you see in your own life when the storms of life hit?

B. In what ways might you pray worried prayers?

C. How have you used promises from the word to focus your attention on the truth about God and His character?

Pastor Kevin Pastor gave us three things we need to do when storms hit:

1. Take Jesus at His word v.35 – 36:

A. Who led the disciples into the storm? Why is this significant?

B. What did the disciples do when the storm began filling the boat?

C. What was wrong with their reaction in light of their relationship with Jesus?

D. Share a promise from God's word that you have prayed when a storm hit you?

E. God's Word contains hundreds if not thousands of promises. Why is it helpful to pray using a promise for His word?

Pastor Kevin shared 10 promises that can help when storms hit.

Read: and memorize one example

1. 1Chronicles 16:34; **2.** Psalm 103:12; **3.** Isaiah 40:29 – 31; **4.** John 14:2 – 3; **5.** Romans 8:28; **6.** Romans 8:37 – 39; **7.** Romans 10:13, **8.** Philippians 4:6 – 7, **9.** Philippians 4:19; **10.** Hebrews 13:5.

2. Get to Jesus Sooner v. 37 – 38.

- A. When the storms of life hit, why get to Jesus immediately?
- B. How have you disciplined your mind to do this?
- C. How would you help someone else who is going through a storm?
- D. Why does Jesus take believers through storms?

3. Fear Jesus for Who He is. v. 39 – 41.

- A. Why should you fear Jesus?
- B. In light of the society that we live in, why is it difficult to view God as someone to fear?
- C. How did the disciples deal with fear of death? Why were they more afraid after the threat of death had passed?

MEMORY VERSE:

Isaiah 43:5 “Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you.”

OR

1John 4:18 “There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.”

MEN/WOMEN ACCOUNTABILITY:

- 1. Are you walking by faith or fear? What do you understand this statement to mean? How does this relate to you personally?
- 2. Why do you believe Jesus always gives us what we need to get us through the storms of life? Why is the statement “God will not give you more than you can handle”, misleading?
- 3. What change in your life have you made in dealing with storms since you trusted in Jesus?
- 4. What disciplines if any, do you use to overcome the storms of life?

