



Ministry of Biblical Studies

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March 19th | "The Miracle of Deliverance: Jesus Calms the Storm"



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Welcome to the Metropolitan Community Church
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“The Miracle of Deliverance: Jesus Calms the Storm”

Scripture Focus:

- Mark 4:35-41

Background Context:

- **The setting:** Jesus and His disciples were crossing the Sea of Galilee when a sudden storm arose.
- **The storm:** The sea was known for violent, unexpected storms, making this a real threat to experienced fishermen.
- **Jesus’ response:** While the disciples panicked, Jesus slept peacefully. When awakened, He rebuked the wind and waves, and immediately, there was a great calm.

Key Themes & Discussion Points:

Finding Peace in the Midst of Life’s Storms

- **The disciples’ fear**—Despite being with Jesus, they were overwhelmed by the storm. Have you ever felt like Jesus was “asleep” during your struggles?
- **Jesus’ peace vs. the disciples’ panic**—Why do you think Jesus was able to sleep through the storm?
- **Faith over fear**—How can we shift from reacting in fear to responding in faith during our personal “storms”?

Reflection Questions:

- What are some common “storms” (challenges, trials) we face in life?
- How do we find peace when our circumstances seem out of control? (Philippians 4:6-7)

Learning to Trust God's Power Over Every Situation

- Jesus' authority over nature—What does this miracle teach us about God's control over every aspect of creation?
- His rebuke of the storm—Jesus didn't just calm the storm; He commanded it to be still. How does this demonstrate His power over chaos?
- His rebuke of the disciples—Jesus asked, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" What does this reveal about how He wants us to respond in difficult times?

Reflection Questions:

- Have you ever experienced a moment when you saw God's power at work in a tough situation?
- What are some practical ways we can build trust in God when facing trials?

Faith in Action: Applying the Lesson to Our Lives

- Identify a "storm" in your life where you need to trust God more.
- Write down a prayer surrendering that situation to Him.
- Find a Bible verse that reminds you of God's power and peace, and meditate on it throughout the week.

Closing Prayer

- Pray for greater trust in God's power and peace in every situation. Ask for faith that remains strong even when storms arise.

