



Jesus Calms the Storm Icon

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When Jesus “gave orders to go over to the other side” (Matthew 8:18), He knew the storm was coming. He is omniscient. Even with a storm brewing, He decided to launch out to sea.

The Lord never promised we will never see a storm in life (as a matter of fact, He has told us to expect trouble, John 16:33). Rather, He has promised that He will be with us in the storm. He will never leave His children alone in the midst of trouble; with perseverance, they will overcome (Deuteronomy 31:8; James 1:12).

The storm was intended to strengthen the apostles' faith and teach them that Jesus would always be with them. This passage not only reveals Jesus' true humanity, but also His deity because only God can make the winds and water obey. With one word from Christ, the storm abated, and the sea became calm.

The apostles marveled at this powerful display of Jesus' supernatural ability over the elements. This can be immensely comforting to the Christian in a storm. Faith in Christ is never misplaced. If He can calm the storms of the sea with one word, He can calm the storms of life as well. The Bible says the sleep of a believer will be sweet and peaceful because he knows the Lord is with him (Proverbs 3:24; Psalm 4:8).