

Peace. It is a concept that often refers to tranquility or a sense of calm. The English definition of the word peace is "free from disturbance."



#### John 16:33

"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."

"God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing."

C.S. Lewis



"If you don't surrender to Christ, you surrender to chaos."

E. Stanley Jones



"Fear is keeping things in your own hands; Faith is turning them over to the Hands of God."

E. Stanley Jones



Therefore, since we have been declared righteous by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> We have also obtained access through Him by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. <sup>3</sup> And not only that, but we also rejoice in our afflictions, because we know that affliction produces endurance, <sup>4</sup> endurance produces proven character, and proven character produces hope; <sup>5</sup> This hope will not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us. Rom. 5:1-5

### "Peace! Be Still!"

Mark 4:35-41



### 1. It was a Night of Danger

Mark 4:37

A fierce windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking over the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped.



## A. The Suddenness of the Storm – a great storm of wind



## B. The Severity of the Storm – the ship was now full



### 2. It was a Night of 2 Great Doubts

Mark 4:35

On that day, when evening had come, He told them, "Let's cross over to the other side of the sea."



### 2. It was a Night of 2 Great Doubts Mark 4:38

But He was in the stern, sleeping on the cushion. So they woke Him up and said to Him, "Teacher! Don't You care that we're going to die?"



# A. They Doubted His Concern for Them – "Don't You care that we are about to die?"



### B. They Doubted His Commitment to Them.



### 3. It was a Night Great Discovery

Mark 4:39-41

<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" The wind ceased, and there was a great calm. <sup>40</sup> Then He said to them, "Why are you fearful? Do you still have no faith?" 41 And they were terrified and asked one another, "Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey Him!"

1. His Power

He was **able** to control the storm. Eph. 3:20





2. His Promises

They learned that He was as good as His Word! Isaiah 55:10-11



3. His Presence

There were many boats on that sea that night, but only one contained the Lord. Matt. 28:18-20



4. His Purpose

Sometimes, He sends the storms to educate us and to teach us to trust Him. His purpose is not to hurt us but to grow us.

5. His Peace

He can sleep during the storm <u>because</u>
He trusts His Father to take care of Him.
So can we!
John 14:25-27



6. His Personhood

They learned that He is the One Who is in control of every puff of wind, every angry wave and every storm.



Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable — if anything is excellent or praiseworthy think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Phil. 4:8-9

