

SURVIVING THE STORMS OF LIFE
Matthew 14:22-33

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John 16:33, “I have told you these things so that you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

Three Things Jesus Does For Us In The Midst Of The Storm:

1. Jesus _____ For Us

- Verse 23, “After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray.”
- Hebrews 4:14-16, “...For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are - yet without sin. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”
- Jesus is taking your needs to the Father!

2. Jesus _____ To Us

- Verse 25, “During the fourth watch of the night Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake.”
- God’s goal isn’t a quick rescue mission. His goal is to purify me.
- Notice that Jesus came walking victorious over their greatest fears.
- Isaiah 41:1-3, “...When you walk through the fire of oppression, you will not be burned up, and the flames will not consume you. Why? For I am the Lord, your God.”

3. Jesus _____ To Us

- Verses 26-27, “When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them, “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.”
- In spite of the fact that we don’t have it all figured out, He still comes to bring us peace.
- Philippians 4:7, “And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

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