

## **LIFE Group Sermon Questions**

The Center of Everything: Marveling

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Luke 8:22-25



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### **Luke 8:22-25**

One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, “Let us go across to the other side of the lake.” So they set out, 23 and as they sailed he fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger. 24 And they went and woke him, saying, “master, Master, we are perishing!” And he awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased, and there was a calm. 25 He said to them, “Where is your faith?” And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, “Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and water, and they obey him?”

### **Sermon Outline**

What storms do:

- I. Storms drive us to Jesus (Luke 8:24)
- II. Storms bend to the will of Jesus (Luke 8:24)
- III. Storms reveal the condition of our faith (Luke 8:25)
- IV. Storms showcase the glory of Christ (Luke 8:25)

### **Discussion Questions**

1. What did you learn today from the Scripture passage(s) that you didn't know before? What is something that hit you in a fresh way?
  
2. Luke 8:23 tells us that Jesus fell asleep in the boat. No doubt he was exhausted from all he'd been doing. What does this tell us about who Jesus is? How does this encourage you in *your* weariness in the work you do for Christ?
  
3. The Bible sometimes uses the image of a storm to represent the hardships and trials of life (see for example Psalms 69:1, 15). What is something that feels like a storm in your life right now?
  
4. Tell about a time when some storm in your life drove you to Jesus. Tell about a time when it pulled you away from Jesus. What have you learned from those experiences?
  
5. Why is it good to be close to Christ? What does it look like practically to *keep* close to Christ?

6. In Luke 8:24, Jesus rebukes the wind and the waves and they obey. What had struck his disciples with fear bent to his will. How does it comfort you to know that everything that happens in your life is in the hands of Christ? How have you seen him use the hard things in your life for your good?

7. How would you counsel someone who can't *see* how Jesus is using some storm for their good?

8. In Luke 8:25, Jesus asks the disciples, "Where is your faith?" In times of trouble, what tends to be your response? What does that reveal about your own faith?

9. How can you encourage one another to *apply* the faith you have? What does that look like in real life?

10. How have hardships expanded your view of Jesus?

11. Why is it important to remember that Jesus doesn't only have *power* but that he is also *Savior*?

12. What might be some practical ways to "marvel" at the glory of Christ?