Understanding Jesus: Worthy of our Trust

The storms of life are sure to come. They may come in the form of a health scare, a financial crisis, relational brokenness, or any number of areas of life. Certainly, Covid has been a kind of storm that we've been living through for nearly two years now. This is life in this broken world. Storms! At times serious, life-altering storms. If there was ever a time when we need to understand who Jesus is, it is in the middle of storms.

Opening Discussion: Are you facing any storms right now? If so, what?

Read Luke 8:22-25

- 1. What do we learn about the disciples from this passage?
- 2. What do we learn about Jesus?
- 3. After all that the disciples had already seen Jesus do (e.g., Luke 17:1-17), why do you think they responded with fear rather than faith in response to the storm?
- 4. How do you hear Jesus' question, "Where is your faith?" Was he angry? Was it a gentle rebuke? Etc.? What is He asking?
- 5. What is it that the disciples are thinking when they ask, "Who then is this?"

- 6. How does this account help us understand that Jesus is worthy of our trust?
- 7. If Jesus is worthy of our trust, we should seek him first when the storms of life come. How do you do with this? Is it your normal response to seek him first?

Brian said:

Knowing that Jesus is worthy of your trust, **set your focus on Jesus and not the storms** . . . This isn't easy. What is easy is focusing on the storm. But if you focus on the storm, it will foster fear not faith. Focusing on Jesus fosters faith. And Jesus is looking for a response of faith, right? That's why he asked the disciples, "Where is your faith?" When Jesus is in the boat it makes all the difference in the world. He can intervene because He is God. He can intervene because He is powerful. So set your focus on Jesus and not the storm.

- 8. What do you think it means to set your focus on Jesus? How do we do this?
- 9. What is your main take away from this study?

Practicing the Rhythms of Rooted this Week

Daily Devotion | Prayer | Repentance | Sacrificial Generosity | Serve the Community | Share Your Story | Worship



Daily Devotion: Return to this passage several times this week and continue to meditate on what it reveals about Jesus.