

# WHEN GOD SENDS US INTO *Storms*

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## DISCUSS

Read Mark 4:35-41.

- When did this event take place (v. 35-37)?
- Why was it necessary for Jesus and the disciples to take a boat?
- For those who are used to the sea just like the disciples, what do you think caused them to be really afraid during this boat ride?
- How would you define “storms” that happen in anyone’s life?
- What “storm” have you gone through that you learned to fully trust God?
- When we get overwhelmed by the storms of life, why do we start to doubt God’s character?

**Storms can lead us to question God’s goodness and faithfulness to us (v. 38).**

- What was Jesus doing while the storm was raging and His disciples were feeling afraid and threatened?
- What did the disciples ask Jesus?
- Have you ever felt the same way as the disciples, distressed and fearful because the situation is out of control? How did you manage?
- Have you ever questioned God for His ability to help you in difficult situations? How did you know that God indeed cares?

**Even the greatest of storms are still completely under God’s knowledge, control, and power (v. 39).**

- How did Jesus solve the problem that caused His disciples to be in distress?
- What does it tell you that even raging storms respond to Jesus? How does God’s Word bring peace to your fearful heart?
- If someone you love is in trouble, how would you advise him or her to focus on God instead of focusing on the storm or problem in his/her life?

**Storms teach us that we can trust and have faith in God even in the most dangerous of circumstances (v. 40-41).**

- After rebuking the storm, what two questions did Jesus ask His disciples (v. 40)? Why do you think Jesus asked them that?
- When you look back on all the problems and struggles you’ve been through in life with God’s help, why can’t you still completely trust God when a new problem arises?
- What promise in Romans 8:28 can you claim that indeed storms in life can turn out for our own good? What comfort can we claim from His Word in Psalm 23:4?
- After witnessing this wonderful thing in their midst, how did the disciples react (v. 41)?
- How do you react when you witness God’s goodness in your life?

## REFLECT

Storms in life are something we all have to deal with. In what areas of your life do you need to exercise complete trust in the Lord? What miraculous work would you like to see Jesus perform in your life? Why?

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, I recognize that You are loving, greater, and more powerful than anyone could ever be. In fact, You control even the winds and the waves. You are even able to be with me all the time, even in the midst of storms in my life. Help me, Lord, to completely put my trust in You because You are the One who can help me overcome any storm that I may encounter in this life. Thank You, Lord. In Jesus’ precious name. Amen.