Sermon Discussion Guide

"What Kind of Person Stops a Violent Squall?"
Matthew 8:18-27

Sermon Notes

Record your insights & observations from this week's sermon.

A Good Book on this Sermon Series

The Miracles by Simon Kistemaker

Group Discussion Questions

1) Read ***Matthew 8:18-21***. Jesus told His disciples that it takes sacrifice and commitment to follow Him. How does this challenge from Jesus help the disciples understand what they were getting into before they encounter the fierce thunderstorm in ***Matthew 8:23-27***?

2) Read ***Matthew 8:23-24; Mark 4:37; Luke 8:22-23***. How do these Gospel accounts describe how fierce the thunderstorm was?

3) Read ***Matthew 8:25; Mark 4:38; Luke 8:24***. How did the disciples respond when they saw Jesus sleeping during this storm?

4) Have you ever gone through a storm, and you felt like Jesus was distant or didn't care? How did He end up helping you through the storm?

5) Read ***Matthew 8:26; Mark 4:40; Luke 8:25***. How did Jesus respond to His disciples? Why did He respond this way?

6) Read ***Matthew 8:27; Mark 4:41; Luke 8:25***. Often times after miracles, the disciples were amazed at what they just encountered. How have you been amazed at God's mighty works in your life?

7) Read ***Philippians 4:6-7***. Take some time to pray that Jesus will fill you with peace and calm any storm in your life.

For Your Family

1) Memorize ***Mark 4:39***: *He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.*
2) Read ***Matthew 8:23-27; Mark 4:37-41; Luke 8:22-25***. Discuss with your family the miracle of Jesus calming the storm.
3) Read ***Philippians 4:6-7***. Talk with your family about what it means to rely on Jesus when we go through storms in life.