

Stilling the Storm

Matthew 8:23–27; Mark 4:36–41; Luke 8:22–25

*Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea;
and there was a great calm. Matthew 8:26*

Jesus and His disciples boarded a ship to cross the Sea of Galilee. As they were sailing, Jesus fell asleep and a great storm arose. The wind blew and waves covered the ship. Jesus’s disciples thought they were going to be killed, so they awoke Jesus and cried, “Master, carest thou not that we perish?” (Mark 4:38; see also Matthew 8:23–25; Mark 4:36–37; Luke 8:22–24).

Jesus said, “Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith?” (Matthew 8:26; see also Mark 4:39).

“[Then] he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm” (Mark 4:39; see also Matthew 8:26; Luke 8:24).

When the storm ceased, the disciples were amazed and said, “What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?” (Mark 4:41; see also Matthew 8:27; Luke 8:25).

Summary

Jesus fell asleep as He and His disciples were sailing across the Sea of Galilee. A great storm arose. The wind blew and waves covered the ship. The disciples, afraid for their lives, woke

Jesus. He stood and told the winds and the sea to be still. The storm stopped, and the sea was calm. The disciples were amazed that even the wind and the sea obeyed Jesus.

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