

- I. The command of Christ
  - A. The purpose: ministry
  - B. The promise: we will make it

\*Picture of Sea of Galilee

- C. The presence: Jesus is with us

“And surely I will be with you always, to the very end of the age.” (Matthew 28:20)

- II. The storms of life

\*video of stormy sea...

- A. Storms will come as we follow Jesus

“In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” (John 16:33)

- B. Storms will come as we obey Jesus

- III. The response to the storms of life

- A. Jesus is peacefully sleeping
- B. The disciples were fearful

\*Picture of storm on Sea of Galilee

- C. The disciples called upon Jesus

- IV. The power of Christ

- A. He stilled the storm with his words
- B. He challenged the disciple’s lack of faith

- 1. Faith is tested by the storms

“Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.” (James 1:2-3)

- 2. Faith is trusting in Jesus alone

- V. The response of the disciples

- A. They were terrified

B. They were amazed

C. They began to understand who Jesus is

“O Lord God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O Lord, and your faithfulness surrounds you. You rule over the surging sea; when its waves mount up, you still them.” (Psalm 89:8-9)

“He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed.” (Psalm 107:8-9)

“For by him all things were created; things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible...all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.” (Colossians 1:16-17)