

# Mark 4:35-41

3 Instructions For Applying  
Biblical Faith In Jesus In  
Everyday Life



# Background/Context

- Jesus and Disciples ministering in Galilee near Capernaum; very busy/popular time for Jesus
- Jesus leads Disciples in transition; leave area, sail 8 miles East to region of Gadara (Greek influenced area of 10 city confederation called, Decapolis)
- Jesus serving masses, but also concerned about training Disciples; seeking to mold them and teach them about faith and applying it
- Biblical Faith: Believing God and His word and living it out despite what our senses, circumstances, and society tells us
- Faith is knowing Jesus never makes mistakes

# Knowing Jesus Seeks To Prepare Us For Faith's Application

- (vv.35-36) Jesus very busy; teaching, preaching, healing sick and delivering from demons; great miracles
- With this great teaching, now time for Disciples to apply lessons in real life; personal analysis of grasp of Jesus' identity and belief in Him
- Jesus over and over, "Let him who has ears to hear, let him hear"; have Disciples been listening so as to retain?
- Biblical faith designed to work in

- James 1:2-3, "My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience."
- 2 Peter 1:5, "But also for this very reason, brethren, endeavor to your faith"

**Understanding Questions**  
Answer the following questions

Which do you prefer, cookies or chocolate?	
Which do you prefer, basketball or cycling?	
Which do you prefer, ice cream or yogurt?	
Which do you prefer, pink or purple?	
Which do you prefer, red or blue?	
Which do you prefer, summer or winter?	
Which do you prefer, TV or computer games?	
Which do you prefer, the beach or the mountains?	
Which do you prefer, basketball or cycling?	

# Realizing The Great Need For The Application Of Biblical Faith

- (vv.37-38) As group sailing, in matter of minutes terrible storm hits boat; winds so great boat sinking
- "windstorm" - "cyclone, furious winds, hurricane force) this not just sprinkle of rain; it hurricane force
- Disciples terrified (even though most seasoned fishermen who knew sailing/weather)
- Finally at last minute, seek out Jesus; He asleep in back of boat (so exhausted, able to sleep during terrible storm)

- 2 Cors. 5:7, "For we walk by faith, not by sight."
- 2 Tim. 4:7, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have



# Application Will Accomplish The Will Of God and Glorify

- Him (vv.39-41) Powerful comfort; Jesus gives proof He is always in control; shows He has authority over all Creation
- He speaks to wind and sea; commands them and they obey; rebukes wind, commands sea to be at peace and be still and stay still
- Language shows; one second storm raging, next second perfect calm; storm didn't "pass", it dissolved
- Jesus moves forward to focus on Disciples' application of faith; asks why they are afraid and why they didn't have

- Matt. 17:20, "...I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there', and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you."

- James 2:17, "if it does no

