



Week 2: Say Yes to Life With Jesus

Connect

Scott shared a story about fishing with his grandfather. What's your best fishing story or best story involving a boat?

Grow

1. If you had to face the worst storm in your life, who would you want in the boat with you?
2. Recap the story of Jesus and his disciples from **Matthew 8:23-27**. Put yourself in the boat with them, what would that have been like? What would you say or do?
3. Have you ever followed Jesus right into a storm? You followed, you obeyed, and then things got really scary? Have you ever done the right thing and then found yourself taking on water?
4. The big question we have in the middle of the storm, beyond saying, make it stop, is "*why* won't you make it stop?" In other words, "Don't you care God?" Have you ever struggled with those feelings?
5. Storms help us mine the depths of PANIC. Is the storm you're in now getting more of your attention than Jesus?
6. Storms help us mine the depths of true PEACE. There is a difference between not paying attention to the storm and not being worried about the storm. How does remembering God's character and God's power put things into perspective?
7. Storms aren't eternal. How does a truth and a promise like that help you? (Whether you are in a storm or headed into one)
8. Storms help us mine the depths of Jesus' POWER. In what areas of your life are you relying on your own strength/competency/abilities instead of Jesus?

Pray

Ask God to help you not forget whose boat you are in even in the midst of storms. Pray that you would choose peace over panic because you trust Him. Ask the Holy Spirit for peace that passes all understanding (**Philippians 4:7**).

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Following Jesus doesn't mean knowing what's around every bend, or always having a clearly articulated 5 or 10 year plan, it simply means in each moment of every day, saying yes to following Jesus. When Jesus says go, we go, when he says stay we stay. This week when he prompts you to follow him, simply say yes & "get in the boat."