

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

Peace in the Storm

Matthew 8:18, 23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25

♩ = 80

The musical score is written in 3/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The first system contains four verses of lyrics. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system concludes the lyrics. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line of each system.

1. The storm en - gulfs my soul. O God, You
2. The trou - bles flood - ing in De - fy my
3. I long for quick re - lief. You long for
4. Al - might - y, pres - ent God, Each mo - ment

claim You're here, But all I see is wind and
fran - tic prayer. O Sav - ior, are You sound a -
all my best. I call You to my anx - ious
fill my view. My peace is not a cir - cum -

waves, And all I feel is fear.
sleep? O Je - sus, do You care?
fear. You call me to Your rest.
stance But al - ways, on - ly You.

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TOPICS: Assurance & Comfort; Faith; Life of Christ; Peace in Christ

LEAD-IN: *On that day, when evening came, He said to them, "Let us go over to the other side." Leaving the crowd, they took Him along with them in the boat, just as He was; and other boats were with Him. And there arose a fierce gale of wind, and the waves were breaking over the boat so much that the boat was already filling up. Jesus Himself was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" And He got up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Hush, be still." And the wind died down and it became perfectly calm. And He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?" They became very much afraid and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?"*

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

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By all human standards, the disciples were in real danger. They were experienced fishermen, having sailed this lake for years in all kinds of weather. This storm was violent and unrelenting, and their boat was filling with water.

But after they awoke Jesus, He delivered them easily with a few words. Then He rebuked them for their unbelief. They had been terrified in the storm, while He had simply slept through it. Why the difference?

Jesus knew that He lived in the Father's constant care. The Father was completely real to Him. He was always the focus of Jesus' thoughts and desires. Why should Jesus be afraid when He lived every moment in the personal care of the Master of the universe?

The disciples had indignantly called Jesus to share their fear. Jesus calmly called them to share His rest – His complete and constant rest in the Father.

Like the disciples, we tend to live in response to our circumstances. Jesus calls us to live in response to our Father. Instead of focusing on our situation, Christ invites us to rest in the peace of our Almighty, all-wise, all-loving God. He calls us to look to Him, love Him, trust Him, rejoice in Him, and rest in Him every moment.

Peace is not a situation. Peace is a relationship with God.