



# HE PROMISES

## ***He Promises - I am with you always***

Read Mark 4.

- How was the boat trip across the Sea of Galilee an opportunity for the disciples to incorporate the teaching of Jesus into their lives? How successful were they?
- Where did they succeed and where did Jesus point out room for them to grow?
- How did Jesus once again prove that they were the ones that He loved?

The disciples were in the storm *because* they obeyed Jesus.

- How does this challenge the idea that following Jesus should make life easier?
- Can you think of a time when obedience led you into difficulty instead of comfort?

The disciples asked Jesus, “Don’t you care if we drown?”

- When have you felt that way in your own life?
- What does this story teach us about Jesus’ presence even when He seems silent?



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Jesus intentionally led them toward the Decapolis, an unfamiliar, uncomfortable territory.

- Where might Jesus be asking you to “go to the other side” right now?
- What fears or “storms” make you hesitant to follow?
- When have you seen the power and presence of God during a storm in your life?

What storm are you facing today and what would it look like for Jesus to silence the wind and still the waves in your life?

Ask Jesus to reveal to you His presence. *Jesus, thank You for Your presence in my life. I stand on Your promise that You love me, that You are still speaking to me and that You are with me even when I don’t see You or feel Your presence. Help me to keep my eyes on You and may my life be a light in the darkness to all those around. It is in Your name that I pray, amen.*

