



Sermon Notes | 08.9.20 | Thomas Clothier

Living in Fear
Luke 8:22-25

I. The crisis of fear. I v. 22-23

One day He got into a boat with His disciples, and He said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they set out. I v. 22

And as they sailed He fell asleep. And a windstorm came down on the lake, and they were filling with water and were in danger. I v. 23

II. The cry of fear. I v. 24a

And they went and woke Him saying, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" I v. 24a

III. The control over our fear. I v. 24b-25

And He awoke and rebuked the wind and the raging waves, and they ceased and there was a calm. I v. 24b

He said to them, "Where is your faith?" And they were afraid, and they marveled, saying to one another, "Who then is this, that He commands even winds and water, and they obey Him?" I v. 25

In the presence of God, sinners tremble with anxious fear. The only way for us to stand in His presence is to have our sin covered. Ultimately, that is why Jesus came and why His holiness and divine nature were revealed. Seeing Him as He is – the holy God – drives us to our knees in fear as we confess our sin and our worthiness of hell.

But by faith, we escape that terror and, because our sins are covered, we enter into loving fear of Him that brings us peace.

We put our lives in Jesus' hands based on the evidence of His power. Today's message shows us that we can trust Him because He has authority over all nature and is worthy of our faith since He is the incarnate God over all creation.

We follow the Creator of all things, not merely a good man but LORD of all.