

“Jesus Calms The Storm”
E. Wayne Drain~Luke 8:22-25

The Problem was the panic

- Without warning, a storm came upon the lake.
- Verse 23 says: Jesus was asleep while the winds and waves grew so fierce that ***they were swamped and were in great danger***

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Jesus got up and gave two rebukes

- *Rebuke- (Greek) epitimao means rebuke, reprove, or censure*

Two rebukes

- *Quiet - “Keep silent, say nothing, make no sound, stop speaking, be or become quiet!”*
- *Be Still- “to tie shut muzzle or put to silence.”*

- They had seen Jesus heal the sick & cast out demons
- They allowed FEAR to replace FAITH

This was a “transformation” moment for them.

The Point of the Passage

This passage is focusing on faith- or maybe about the absence of faith of the disciples.

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- Faith Saved Abraham.
(Romans 4)
- Faith sustained all the heroes of the bible. (Hebrews 11)
- Obedience flows from faith. (Romans 16:26)

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The Nature of Faith

- Faith involves a decision that we are responsible for.
- Faith acts sometimes by waiting and sometimes by working.
- Faith is tested and proven sometimes by adversity.
- Faith is the opposite of Fear!
 - When you find fear, faith is absent
 - Worry can be worse than fear

Faith is about trusting in God

- Faith Trust God to do the impossible
- Faith trust in God alone for salvation.

A Point to Ponder

Where is your Faith?

Do you really believe that if Jesus is in your boat, you cannot sink?

STOP telling God about your storm!

START telling the storm about your God!