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# Lord Over the Storm

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# A New Section of the Gospel

# A Key Question

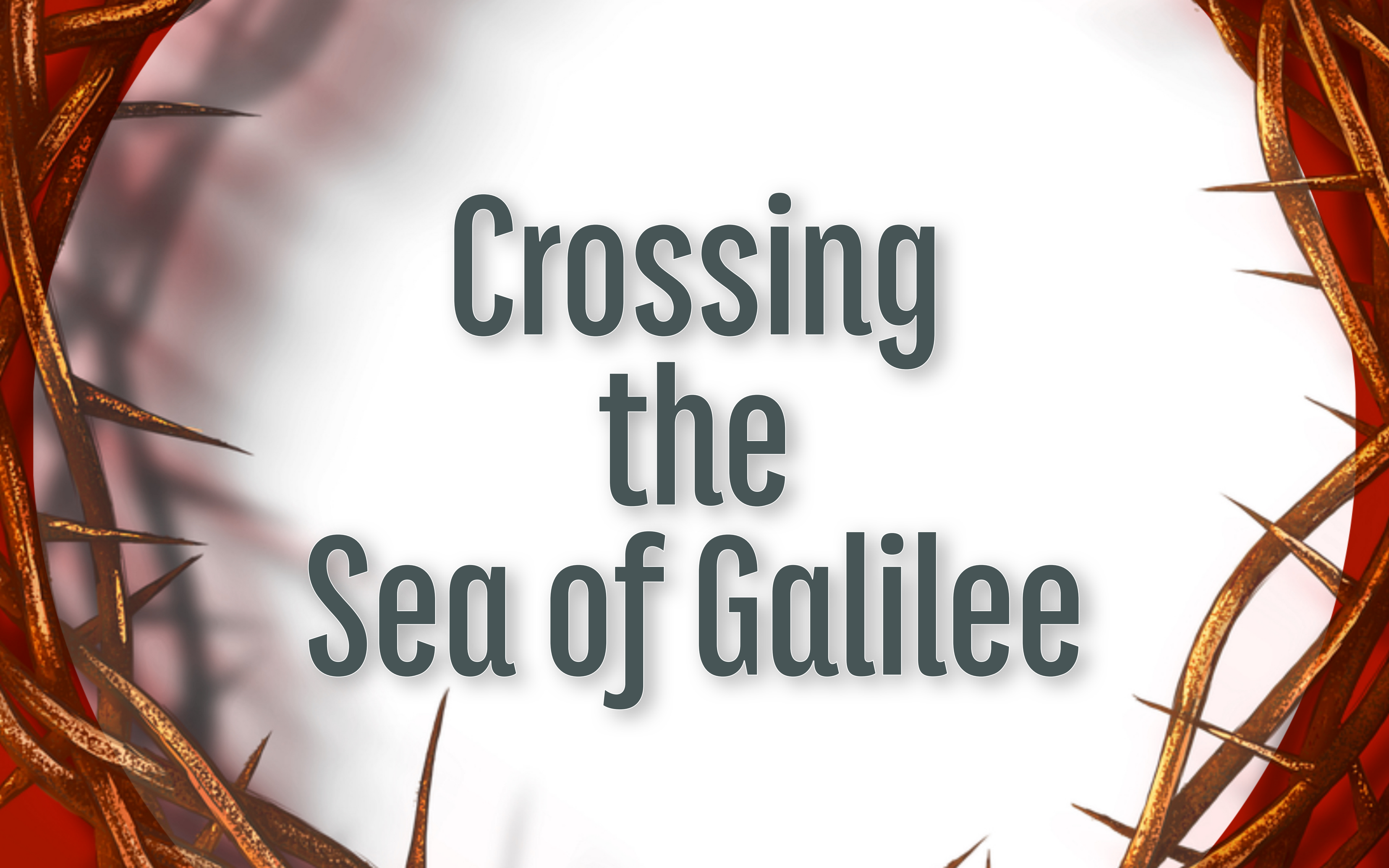
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Mark 4:35–38

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# Crossing the Sea of Galilee

# An Evening/Nighttime Trip Across the Lake

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Mark 4:35–36



# Jesus Was Ready In the Boat Teaching Parables

Again Jesus began to teach by the lake. The crowd that gathered around him was so large that **he got into a boat and sat in it out on the lake**, while all the people were along the shore at the water's edge...<sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd behind, **they took him along, just as he was, in the boat.** There were also other boats with him.

Mark 4:1, 36



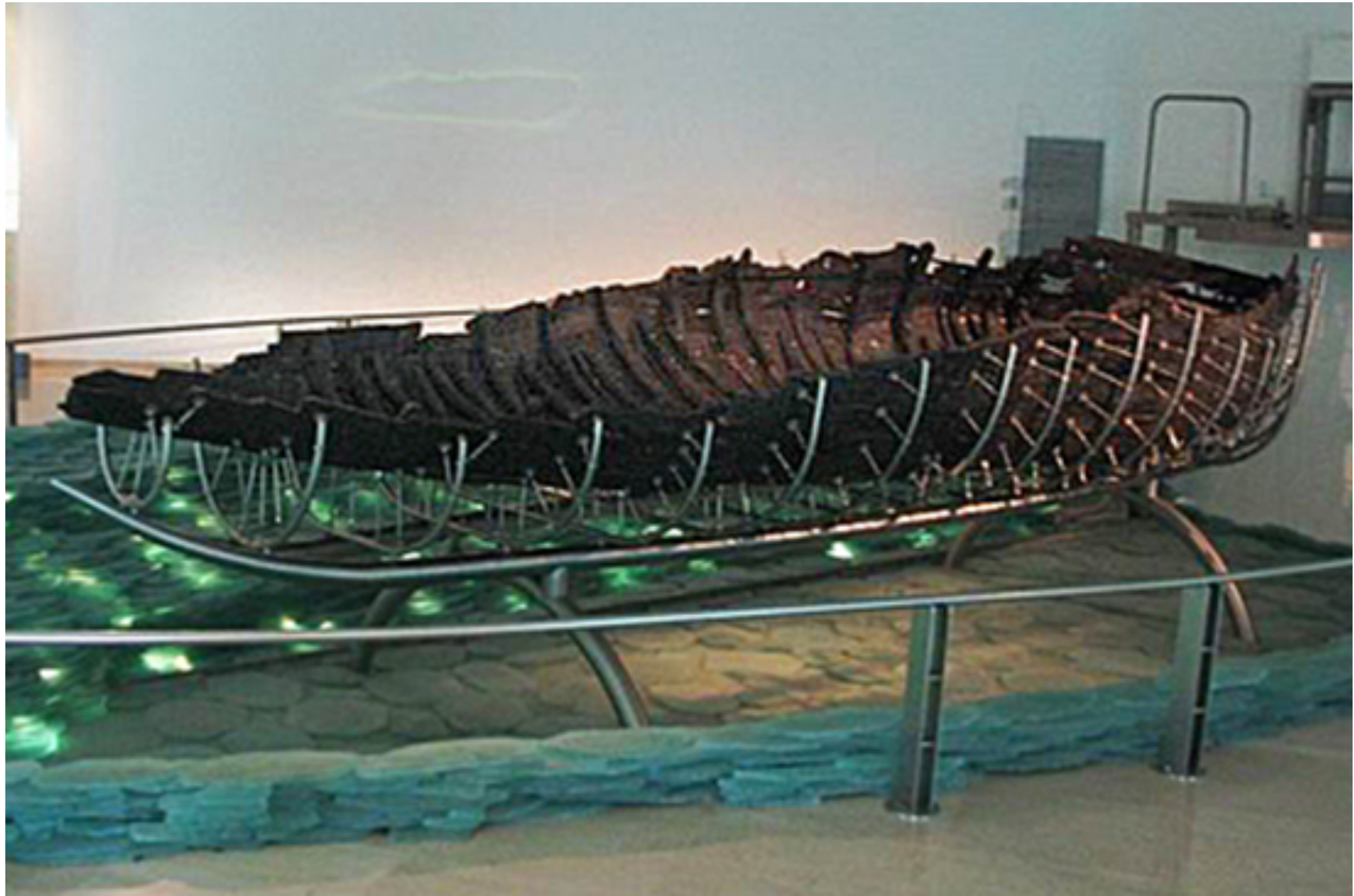


# A Furious Squall

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Mark 4:37





# The Boat Is In Danger of Sinking

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Mark 4:37



# Two Very Different Reactions!

Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, “Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?”

Mark 4:38





# Jesus - Lord Over the Storm

# Jesus Rebukes the Storm!

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Mark 4:39



# Jesus' Words To the Demons & the Storm!

And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. Mark 4:39 (ESV)

But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” Mark 1:25 (ESV)



# Lord Over the Storm!

You rule over the surging sea;  
when its waves mount up, you still them.

Psalm 89:9





Others went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters. <sup>24</sup> They saw the works of the Lord, his wonderful deeds in the deep. <sup>25</sup> For he spoke and stirred up a tempest that lifted high the waves. <sup>26</sup> They mounted up to the heavens and went down to the depths; in their peril their courage melted away. <sup>27</sup> They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their wits' end. <sup>28</sup> Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. <sup>29</sup> He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. <sup>30</sup> They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven. <sup>31</sup> Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men. <sup>32</sup> Let them exalt him in the assembly of the people and praise him in the council of the elders.

Psalms 107:23–32

# Jesus' Penetrating Question

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

Mark 4:40



# The Disciples' Penetrating Question

They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Mark 4:41



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The Gospel of Mark

# Applying

The Word

# The Table



Leader:

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Congregation:

He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all — how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

Leader:

Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.

Congregation:

Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died — more than that, who was raised to life — is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Leader:

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?  
Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine  
or nakedness or danger or sword?

Congregation:

As it is written: “For your sake we face death all  
day long; we are considered as sheep to be  
slaughtered.”



(All)

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# The Table

