



Some storms can be a result of your sin (Jonah 1:4).

Some storms can be a result of someone else's sin (Paul in Acts 27).

Some storms can be entirely apart from sin (Job 9:17; 27:20-21).

This storm is actually the second storm that the disciples have endured (Mt 8:23-27; 14:22-33). Both storms are a trial of the disciples' faith, with Jesus evaluating their faith.

Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? (Mt 8:26)

O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? (Mt 14:31)

1. _____ presents a conflict between my knowledge and Jesus' omniscience

And it was now dark... v.17

Cf. v.17; Mr 6:45

Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship... Matthew 14:22

Romans 8:28-29

And he saw them toiling in rowing... Mark 6:48

Psalm 34:15-19

2. _____ presents a conflict between my loneliness and Jesus' presence

Jesus was not come to them. v.17

He departed into a mountain to pray. Mark 6:46

Hebrews 7:24-25; 13:5; Psalm 23:4

They see Jesus walking on the sea, and drawing nigh unto the ship...v.19

Jesus departed into a mountain (v.15; Cf. Heb 1:3; 12:22-24; Eph 4:8) where he was praying (Mt 14:23; Cf. Heb 7:25; Ro 8:34). Jesus' physical absence is marked by night (v.16; Jo 9:5; Ro 13:11-12), when a great wind is blowing contrary to Jesus' disciples (v.18; Mr 6:48; Eph 4:14). But Jesus will appear again to His own in the fourth watch of the night, concluding with the rising of the Sun (Mr 6:48; Mal 4:1-2; 1Th 5:1-2).

3. _____ presents a conflict between my sufficiency and Jesus' sovereignty

*And the sea arose by reason of a great wind that blew. v.18
(Cf. Mr 1:16-20; Jo 21:1-2); Mark 6:48*

*They see Jesus walking on the sea...v.19
Psalm 65:6-7; 89:9; 93:3-5; Matthew 14:32-33; 2 Corinthians 1:8-9*

4. _____ presents a conflict between my emotions and Jesus' word

*And they were afraid. v.19
Matthew 14:26 (Cf. Rev 7:1-3; Job 1:12, 18-19)*

*But he saith unto them, It is I; be not afraid. v.20
Psalm 56:3-4*

Conclusion:

Observe the four-fold miracle as recorded in the gospels

- Jesus walked on water (v.19)
- Peter walked on water (Mt 14:29-31)
- When Jesus got in the ship, the wind ceased (Mt 14:32)
- When Jesus got in the ship, the boat was suddenly at its destination (v.21)

Then they willingly received him into the ship.... v.21

RECEIVE JESUS INTO YOUR SHIP. Bring Him into the center of your situation.

- Communing with in prayer & the word
- Connecting with His body (the church)
- Serving in His ministry
- Making Him the priority of your life
- Trusting in His sovereignty

RECEIVE JESUS INTO YOUR SHIP. Receive Him into your life and your destination is immediately changed – from Hell to Heaven.

- Call on Jesus. Receive Him into your life as your Savior (to change your destination) and your Lord (to command your life).