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**QUESTIONS JESUS ASKED:
“WHY ARE YOU AFRAID, YOU MEN OF LITTLE FAITH?”
MATTHEW 8:23-27**

Storms. Matt. 8:23-24

- Storms are **unexpected**, but they are inevitable. Matt. 8:24-25; Mark 4:37; Luke 8:24; Neh. 2:1-9; Job 1:7-3:26; James 1:2-5; 1 Pet. 1:6; 4:11-12
- Storms are **life**-threatening and life-changing. Matt. 8:25; Mark 4:38; Dan. 3, 6; Acts 4:18-21; 8:1; 9:1; 12:5; 16:22-23; Mark 5:1-43

Storms—responding the wrong way. Matt. 8:24-27

- I can **handle** it on my own (I've got this). Matt. 8:23-24; Luke 5:2; 12:13-21; Matt. 26:31-35; John 18:10; Matt. 26:69-75; 26:56
- Belief that Jesus falls **asleep** and drives us to fear. Matt. 8:24; Luke 8:24; Mark 4:38; Matt. 19:16-22, 27; John 11:20-21, 32
- Belief that my **fear** drives me to a lack of faith. Matt. 8:26; Mark 4:40; Matt. 6:26; 14:31; 16:8; 17:20; Heb. 11:1, 6; 2 Cor. 5:7; Matt. 8:1-17, 28-34; John 9:25; 5:24; Rom. 10:17; Mark 6:1-6; Num. 13-14

Storms—responding the right way. Matt. 8:25-27

- Cry out to God **before** the storms overwhelm you. Matt. 8:25-27; 6:33; 19:16-22; Luke 12:13-21; James 4:6-8; Luke 5:16; 6:12; 9:28
- Believe that your **faith** will overcome your fear. Matt. 8:25-27; 2 Tim. 1:7; Rom. 10:17; Phil. 4:12; Prov. 3:5-6; Eph. 3:20