

Why Are You Afraid?

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Precepts

Opening Question(s)

What has been your greatest fear in life? How have you brought the issue to God? How has God helped you in it?

MATTHEW

8:23-25 (NLT)

23 Then Jesus got into the boat and started across the lake with his disciples.

24 Suddenly, a fierce storm struck the lake, with waves breaking into the boat. But Jesus was sleeping.

25 The disciples went and woke him up, shouting, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!"

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MATTHEW 8:26-27(NLT)

26 Jesus responded, “Why are you afraid? You have so little faith!” Then he got up and rebuked the wind and waves, and suddenly there was a great calm

27 The disciples were amazed. “Who is this man?” they asked. “Even the winds and waves obey him!”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Most believers have experienced God working in their lives during past trials and times of anxiety. Yet, usually when we meet with new difficulty, we tend to give in to fear and often try to handle the situation ourselves.
2. Do you think that Jesus would rebuke us as He did the frightened disciples? When is the last time you were rebuked by the Holy Spirit?

APPLICATION FOR ACTIVATION

- Make a list of the things in your life that cause you to worry. Then make a second list of things you need the Lord to provide for you. Be careful to list only your needs, not your desires.
- For the next month, set aside one day each week to pray and fast for these things.
- At the end of the month check off the prayers the Lord has answered. Be prepared to share your testimony with the class.