

Strengthening Our F A I T H

Part 7

(Acts 16:5; Mark 6:45-53)

A couple of days later the disciples **STILL had no FAITH!**

- I. Jesus told them to get in the boat and go to the **other** side. (Mark 4:45)
 - A. Jesus **prayed**. (Mark 4:46)
 - Jesus is praying/interceding and for you (Hebrews 7:25)
 - B. They **panicked** when another storm **washed** away their faith! (Mark 4:47-50)
 - C. They were extremely **perplexed** by two consecutive **storms**.
(Terrified, confused. Baffled, bewildered, puzzled, mystified and completely astounded)
(Mark 4:41; Mark 6:51-52)

What had they seen in chapters 5 and 6?

When you don't understand what God is doing, you better guard your heart so that it isn't hardened toward God!

When you are **perplexed** start **praising** God!!

- II. Why we should **believe** what Jesus says.
 - A. Jesus will take us **through** the storm to the other side. (Mark 5:1; Mark 6:53)

What a shipwreck Paul had! (Acts 27:13-28:16)

- B. The storms that seem to **hinder** us will not **hinder** the Word of God!
(2 Timothy 2:8-9)
 - The word of God is not bound by your circumstances
 - Don't allow your **circumstances** to **circumvent** your intake of the Word of God!
 - Nothing that ever happens to you will take away any glory from God!
 - So, keep the faith, praise the Lord for who He is at all times and in all situations and give Him thanks in all circumstances!!!