

Hope for the Hopeless



Mark 4:35-41

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We Have Hope Because He never Leaves Us (Mark 4:37,38)

1. Why were the disciples so fearful when they had the Son of God in the boat with them? Why didn't they come to Jesus the moment the water started coming into the boat?
2. Do you feel that you also get caught up in the "wind and waves" of life and lose focus on the fact that you are found in Jesus? If so why?
3. Do you feel that you often question if Jesus has left you or fallen asleep during your hard times?
4. For those who feel that Jesus has fallen asleep during their hard times, how would you encourage them? What Scripture would you share to comfort them?

We Have Hope Because He Commands the Wind and the Waves (Mark 4:39-41)

1. When the "wind and waves" of life are pounding on you, how can you keep connected with Jesus?
2. When the hard times of life have taken you to a place of utter hopelessness, how can you hold fast to the hope in Jesus?
3. Knowing that not only He has command of sickness, but the wind, and the waves and even has overcome the world; how does that reassure you that you can find hope in Jesus?

We Have Hope Because He is Our Mediator to the Father (1 Timothy 2:5,6)

1. Understanding that Jesus is not only living within us but that He is also mediating for us to the Father, how does that give you hope?
2. Having people on your team rooting for you and supporting you can be extremely encouraging, how can the people in your Life Group be helping you to cling fast to hope in Jesus?

Extra Credit:

1. In what areas in your life are you struggling with hopelessness right now?
2. How can you overcome that hopelessness in your life right now?