

Ladies Studying Jesus

Homework – Vol. 4 #18

1. Jesus asked some very pointed, unanswerable questions to the disciples. Let's meditate on these.

- Answer Jesus' question from the position of the disciples' faithless heart.
- Find two Bible verses for each question that should strengthen a faithless heart.

“Why are ye fearful?” –
Jesus, I am fearful because....

“how is it that ye have no faith?” –
Jesus, I have no faith because...

“Where is your faith? –
Jesus, the faith I had is gone because...

2. Write out 3-5 sentences concerning a faithless time in your life and how God showed Himself strong again!
End with a Bible verse.

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Observations from fearful, faithless disciples:

- Read each observation and support them with Scripture.
- Select one observation and write 3-5 sentences in support using Scripture. Feel free to use a personal illustration if you would like.

1. The violent storm didn't bother Jesus, the faithless disciples did. Throughout the Gospels, we read of Jesus rebuking the disciples about their lack of faith or their little faith! Faithlessness grieves the heart of God!

2. Jesus had told the disciples they were going to the other side. No force of nature was going to prevent what Jesus had promised.

3. Sometimes, we may feel God is unconcerned or unaware of our tempest. Realize this is not true but is an old lie of the Devil to cause you to lose faith!

4. They had obediently followed Jesus but were led into a storm. Jesus never promises a carefree, problem-free life but He has promised to always be with us.

5. Fear and faithlessness can often be the human default! Storms of life can cause great turmoil and pain, but the decision on how we react is ours.

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After the calming of the Sea of Galilee, the second in this series of six miracles happens just as Jesus and all His disciples arrive safely on the other side. Read the three passages and answer the following questions.

Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20; Luke 8:26-39

1. Describe the characteristics of these demon-possessed men. Read carefully, there are many details given.
2. What was the demon-possessed men's reaction to Jesus? What did they do and know?
3. Why did the demons desire to go in the pigs?
4. What caused the locals to fear and ask Jesus to leave?
5. As Jesus was leaving, what was the desire of one of the men who had the demons cast out of him? What was Jesus' instruction to him?
6. As you reflect on our last lesson, Calming of the Sea, you might see familiar or interesting similarities. Name them.