The Perfect Storm Mark 4:35-41

But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was a mighty tempest in the sea, so that the ship was like to be broken. Jonah 1:4 (KJV)

- A. Jesus can calm the storm around us v. 35-39
 - 1. The storm was sudden (v. 37a)
 - 2. The storm was severe (v. 37b)
 - 3. The storm was scary (v. 38)

Awake! Why do You sleep, O Lord? Psalm 44:23 (NKJV)

- B. Jesus can calm the storm within us v. 40-41
 - 1. Storms reveal who we are

"Don't throw your failures away. Use them to learn how to more fully trust Christ and succeed by His power and ability. God will often allow your failures to become distinctive points of power and ministry in our life." -David Jeremiah

• They had His promise (v. 35)

"He did not promise an easy trip, but He did promise a guaranteed arrival at the destination." -Warren Wiersbe

• They had His presence

Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you. <u>Deut 31:6</u> (NKJV)

2. Storms reveal who He is (v. 41)

And the heavens will praise Your wonders, O LORD; Your faithfulness also in the assembly of the saints. For who in the heavens can be compared to the LORD? Who among the sons of the mighty can be likened to the LORD? God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be held in reverence by all those around Him. O LORD God of hosts, who is mighty like You, O LORD? Your faithfulness also surrounds You. You rule the raging of the sea; When its waves rise, You still them. Psalm 89:5-9 (NKJV)