



“Pointing People to Jesus”



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This Week's Scripture Readings:

Psalm 8; Genesis 1.1-5, 24—2.3;
Acts 2.14a,22-36; Matthew 28.16-20

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SERMON NOTES



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Matthew 14.22-33
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- Have you ever felt like things were going really well, and God yanked the rug out from under you?
- If He loves us, why would God not stop the storm BEFORE it rains on us?!
- If God is with us in the storm, why does He often not stop it at that point? “Ok, I believe You are with me ... but why aren't You doing anything?!”
- Peter didn't sink because “he took his eyes off Jesus.” He sank because Jesus didn't do what Peter thought He would/should do. And he briefly lost hope.

Final points:

1. Jesus sees us struggling in our storms.
2. Jesus suffers with us.
3. Jesus intends for us to persevere in our storms. They will not destroy us.
4. It's ok to feel afraid - God isn't mad at you about that. (Or even disappointed.)
5. Keep calling out to Him - even when it's not “raining.”

