

# MARK 4 vs 35

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<sup>35</sup> **And the same day, when the evening was come** / Mark tells us it has been a very long, exhausting work day,

**Jesus said to them, Let us pass over to the other side** / and can't you hear the disciples say, Oh my! It's evening. Do we have to? And they're muttering among themselves -- can't you imagine? Can't this wait for tomorrow morning? They also knew that was going to be two more hours of rowing! And can't the Lord of glory come up with something MORE fun to do than... **rowing**?! I mean, like Easter-egg hunts would be fun! And what we don't read is that Jesus said to them, **NO**. We're adults; **we're having night school**.



<sup>36</sup> **And when they had sent away the multitude,**

**they took Him even as He was in the little boat** / Jesus was already sitting there... waiting; ready to go. NOT moving. Not much room for opinionating, right? Either get in, or be left behind.

**And there were also with Him other little boats** / and can't you see the disciples pushing off from shore? and getting into that team-work rhythm as they rowed ... together? Maybe, strengthened even by song; singing as they were rowing. And after about a half hour? ... 45 minutes? ... an hour? ... we read:

<sup>37</sup> **And there arose a fierce wind storm** / YHEW!

**and the waves beat into the little boat** / and, can you imagine these waves crashing over the bow? And they had just sung, **How Firm a Foundation, You saints of the Lord!** ... and a panic arises.

**and the waves beat into the boat,**

**so that it was now full** / and I bet it was a fierce wind; like a cyclone.

<sup>38</sup> **And He was in the stern of the boat** / Jesus was in the back of the boat. Now that's not that far from the front. It ain't no cruise ship. And I would imagine that the people at the back, like on an airplane those front or back... the level of fear is about the same... if they are going down, don't you think?

**and He was asleep on a pillow** / on a cushion; now, earlier that day, He had said, the caretaker in God's kingdom, if he has done his work -- if he has cast the seed -- the word... into the ground, he should sleep. And GOD, the God of the kingdom, HE will take care of the other stuff. The caretakers can confidently rest in HIM.



And here is Jesus... **asleep on a pillow: and they awake Him** / can you imagine having to interrupt the Lord of glory?

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and they awake Him, and say to Him, Teacher / Boss, Captain,

do You not care that we perish? / don't you care we are going to die? So they not only awaken Him; but they insult Him -- don't you care? In the old apocryphal literature, the LORD God says, You are really in a hurry for yourself. **Do you care more about the creation, than I, the Creator?** – 2 Esdras. Even as we insult Him, there is no one who cares more for all creation than HE, certainly more than we in this 21<sup>st</sup> century can imagine. That's why HE came; and HE throws their comment aside.

<sup>39</sup> And He arose, and rebuked the wind and said to the sea / He got up, and spoke to the wind as He spoke to the demoniacs; and spoke to the roiling sea,

**Peace, be still** / He commanded: phimu, meaning: Muzzle it! **Shut up!**

And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm / and suddenly, a dead calm!

<sup>40</sup> And He turned to them and said,

Why are you so fearful? / the New English Bible says,

**Why are you such cowards?**

Do you yet have **no** faith?

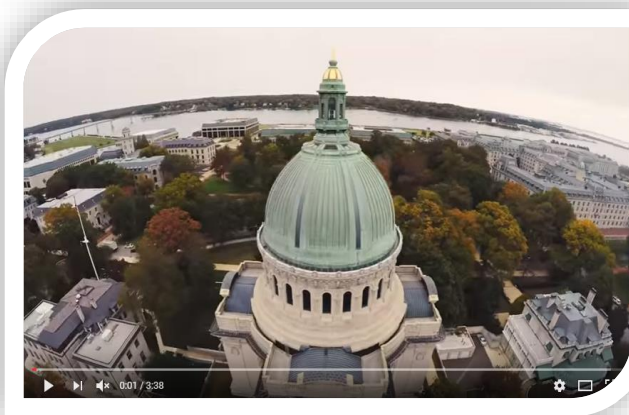
<sup>41</sup> And they feared exceedingly / I bet they did; those who were in that little boat that evening with Him, they were terrified by what just happened,

and said one to another,

What kind of Man is this /

**who is this Man really?**

that even the wind and the sea obey Him?



And just an aside – If you ever visit the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland,

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central to that campus, where the naval leaders of the great United States Navy are educated into leadership; centerpiece to that campus is the massive United States Naval Chapel... its dome seen miles away. And centerpiece to its interior is the enormous stained-glass window of: **Jesus**... saying, **PEACE, BE STILL!** Now, the history books won't tell us that; and educators would like us to forget; but, go... check it out!

And why does this great nation honor our Lord Jesus Christ and His words, whether or not our citizens and leadership now days do? And do you suppose the halls of naval authority in Russia and China or even the UK and EU do the same? And what other nation can you imagine in this world has enshrined more... and preserved in its halls of leadership... **the words of Jesus, the Savior, announcing to His people:**

## PEACE, BE STILL

Read about the great nation in Isaiah 18

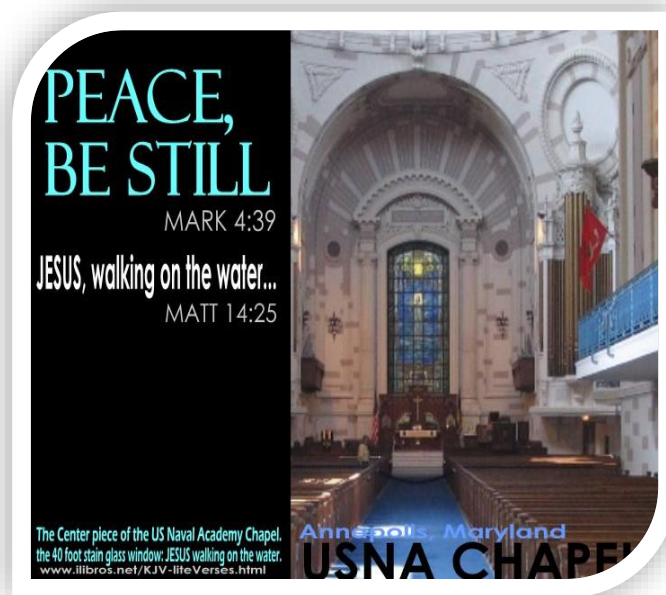
Who is this great Savior?

**What kind of Man is this,**  
**that even the wind and the sea obey Him?**

**His name is JESUS.**

**HE says, Peace, be still!**

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