

Sermon Discussion Questions: February 8, 2026

Lord of the Storm

Sermon Series: Learning the Way of Jesus

Passage: Mark 4:35-41

1. Identifying the Storms

The sermon says that everyone is either going into a storm, in a storm, or coming out of one.

What kinds of “storms” (external circumstances or internal struggles) are you facing right now, or have you faced recently? How have those storms revealed what you trust or where you seek control?

2. “Do You Not Care?”

The disciples accuse Jesus of not caring while he sleeps in the boat.

When life feels out of control, how are you most tempted to interpret God’s presence—or absence? What does this passage challenge or correct about those instincts?

3. Running To or Away From God

Storms reveal whether we run toward God or away from him.

When you’re afraid or overwhelmed, what does “running away” from God look like for you (e.g., control, distraction, withdrawal)? What might it look like to run toward him instead?

4. Comforting and Unsettling Jesus

The disciples move from fear of the storm to fear of Jesus himself.

What do you find most comforting about Jesus’ authority in this passage? What do you find most unsettling? How does the gospel address both of those reactions?

5. Faith in the Greater Storm

The sermon connects the calming of the storm to Jesus enduring the greater storm of the cross.

How does looking at Jesus’ suffering and faithfulness on the cross reshape the way you understand your current or future storms? What would it look like to cling to him rather than just hoping your circumstances change?