



“... immediately the boat reached the shore where they were heading.”

(John 6:21)

The disciples landed safe and sound on the shore once they were willing to suppress their fears by getting Jesus into their boat. Still, the Lord does not always spare us from the storms of life? ***Why not?***

**** He wants to protect us.***

**** He wants to teach us.***

**** He wants to help us achieve balance.***

What are some of the dangers we experience without Jesus “on board”?

A) Darkness

B) Wandering

C) Futility

For Further Consideration this Week:

Monday: Meditate on Matthew 8:23-27. What does this account tell you about the level of Christ’s control in the midst of a storm? Find comfort in knowing that the Lord is aware, in control, and ready to bless. Thank Him for His goodness!

Tuesday: Read Psalm 107:29-30. What can and will God do in the midst of our storms, if we rely upon Him to navigate us through rough waters? Trust God to provide you with whatever you need to make it to the shore!

Wednesday: Read Jonah 2:1-10. What did Jonah do that led to his arrival on dry land again? Is relying upon God your first or last resort? If dependence upon Him is not your top priority, confess that today and commit to putting Him first!

Thursday: Read Genesis 22:16-18. What promise did God make to Abraham in this passage regarding the seashore? Sometimes, God has so much more in store for us than what we can see in front of us! Spend some time thanking Him for the plans He has for your life, whether you know what they consist of yet or not.

Friday: Read 2 Timothy 1:7. Instead of filling us with fear, what does God want to impart to us? Ask Him to help you become an open vessel for receiving the fullness of His power, love, and blessings.

Saturday: Meditate on 2 Timothy 2:20-22. Are you willing to take Jesus on your boat? If so, into what kind of vessel or instrument are you letting Him mold you? Pray that He will help you experience smooth sailing as you allow Him to use you for the glory of God’s kingdom!