

Sunday September 13, 2020

Order of service, Discussion questions, and Songs

Welcome and Announcements

Pause the video for Prayer

- Pray for teachers and students as they return to school.*
- Pray that those who do not know Jesus would personally discover and receive his love and grace.*
- Pray that today's offering would be used to build His Kingdom in our hearts, in our community and around the world.*

Offering

Sermon

"An Unsinkable Refuge in a Turbulent World"

22 Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. **23** And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, **24** but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. **25** And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. **26** But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, "It is a ghost!" and they cried out in fear. **27** But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid."

28 And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." **29** He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. **30** But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." **31** Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" **32** And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. **33** And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Matthew 14:22-33

“The reason that many people don’t find God tangibly present in their own life is they are still running their own life”
Dallas Willard

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not lean on your own understanding.

⁶In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make straight your paths.

⁷Be not wise in your own eyes;
fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.

⁸It will be healing to your flesh^[b]
and refreshment^[c] to your bones.

Proverbs 3:5-7

In Matthew 14:22-33 we see three reasons to surrender completely to our relationship with Jesus.

1) ***Jesus calls us to faith-building meaningful _____.***

2) ***Jesus never leaves us outside his _____.***

Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Romans 8:34

Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.

Hebrews

7:25

“There are some things you can't fix, can't heal, or can't escape, and all you can do is trust God. Finding ultimate refuge in God means you become so immersed in his presence, so convinced of his goodness, so

devoted to his lordship that you find even the storm is a perfectly safe place to be because he is there with you.”

John Ortberg

3) Jesus provides an _____ refuge in a turbulent world.

Discussion Questions:

Take time to process some or all of the following questions with those that you are gathered with.

1. What was the most meaningful about today's sermon?
2. What is one area of your life that you can apply Proverbs 3:5-8 to? Spend time praying this over your life, and the life of someone you know.
3. Was there a Bible verse that stood out to you from today's sermon? Why?

Songs

Oh God, You are my God
And I will ever praise You
Oh God, You are my God
And I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days

In the valley, Oh God, you're near
In the quiet, Oh God, you're near
In the shadow, Oh God, you're near
At my breaking, Oh God, you're near

Oh God, you never leave my side
Your love will stand firm for all my life

In my searching, Oh God, you're near

In my wandering, Oh God, you're near
When I feel alone, Oh God, you're near
At my lowest, Oh God, you're near

Height nor depth nor anything else
Could pull us apart
We are joined as one by your blood
Hope will rise as we become more
Than conquerors through
The one who loved the world

Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me

God, I see Your grace is enough
I'm covered in Your love
Your grace is enough for me, for me