

A PRAYER FOR STORMY DAYS

Awesome, Omnipotent Creator God, I worship You, the One... who "laid the earth's foundations," who "marked off its dimensions," who "shut up the sea behind doors when it burst forth from the womb," who "made the clouds its garment," who "fixed limits for it," and who said, "This far you may come and no farther; here is where your proud waves halt."¹

I think of when Your disciples struggled in the storm on Galilee, then called out to You, and You commanded the wind and waves to be still. And they obeyed!²

As the storms of life assail me, as those I love face waves that threaten to submerge them in despair, I ask You to look on us with mercy. I cry out to You, knowing that just as the wind and waves know Your voice and respond, so too are all the forces of this world subject to Your power.

I ask that You would speak into our lives the words Peace! Be still! Please. For the glory of Your great name.

I ask that You would keep Your promise: "When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you."³

You are Immanuel. God with us. Facing every storm that comes my way, I cling to You in trust. In the name of the One whom the waves and wind still obey—*Jesus*, Amen.

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- 1 Job 38:4-11
- 2 Mark 4:35-39
- 3 Isaiah 43:2