

Sermon Title: **“PEACE, BE STILL”**

Mark 4:35-41

- Jesus had been teaching all morning to a crowd on the shore of the Sea of Galilee
 - It was the evening of the same day that Jesus said to His Disciples “Let’s go to the other side”
- Jesus, who was teaching from a boat, never gets off the boat & His Disciples join Him & sail away
- The Sea of Galilee is located in basically a valley
 - This means without notice these storms can pop-up
 - Jesus left instantly without even going back to the shore (it seemed like something pressing was awaiting them)
- So, the disciples (many being seasoned fishermen) launch off toward the other side of the Sea of Galilee with Jesus
 - Sometime later a storm develops & the boat is filling with water
 - This was NO small storm & it showed NO sign of stopping
- These seasoned fishermen (who were familiar with the Sea of Galilee) were deathly afraid of drowning
 - This is the ONLY account in ALL of Scripture where Jesus sleeps (Jesus, God’s Son, took on flesh – He was human)
- In the Greek, this storm DOESN’T settle down it ceases entirely & completely – ALL at once
 - This was authority over nature like the disciples NEVER before saw
 - Jesus says actually two Greek words “Peace – Be Still” (literally the statement is translated “Peace Be Muzzled” or “Peace Be Silent”)
- After rebuking the storm, Jesus now rebukes His disciples
 - The disciples had some faith (they did cry out to Jesus for help) yet after Jesus calms the storm they’re still astonished