Who Cares! Mark 4:35-41



"Who Cares"?

- Just the tone of the phrase by the person speaking can determine its intention and meaning
- We can use it to show a lack of interest on our part
- It can be used to show a lack of interest or concern on another's part about us

In Mark 4 the Disciples Have a "Who Cares" Moment

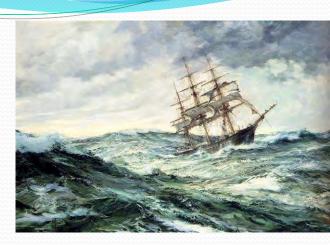
They are convinced that their boat is going down



- They are convinced that they had seen their last sunrise
- If they'd had cell phones they would have called their loved ones or "texted" them goodbye

Jesus Was Asleep in the Back of the Boat

They find Him and wake Him up

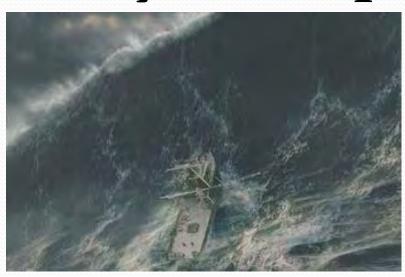


 He is awakened to see the look of fear in their eyes as they raise the issue to Him

"Teacher, do You not care that we are going to perish"?

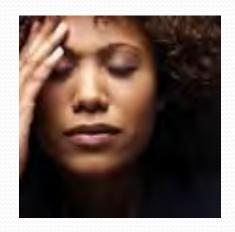
Remember

You can still have "Who Cares Moments" even when Jesus is on your ship!



Who Cares?

- Your health has changed for the worse even though it seems you are doing all you can do
- You are working long hours trying to keep your head above the water and cutting costs, but the mental and physical stress of bills and debt continue to suffocate





Who Cares?

- You are single and waiting on a "Jesus-filled relationship"
- Tired of being alone; your friends are already married
- You've dressed for success and placed yourself in a position for "providence" to take over, but still there is no one for you, and time is precious





- You have done your best for your marriage
- You have loved, compromised, prayed, exhibited consistent faith
- Your dreams are constantly shattered by selfishness, dishonesty, deceit, inconsideration

Who Cares?

Your addiction isn't broken



- Your bondage to obviously bad habits hasn't weakened
- You are afraid of what your habit could cost you (job, wife, children, reputation)

Even With Jesus on Board the Ship of Your Life, You Will Still Have "Who Cares Moments"

So We Wonder

- Jesus, do you know what I'm going through?
- Jesus, do you care what I'm going through?
- Jesus, don't you know I'm about to go under?



Points to Consider

- Don't mistake lack of response for lack of control
- His lack of response from our perspective reveals more about us than it does Him

 Our faith is sometimes based on our expectations of God

"Our Expectations"

- "Lord, I expect you to bail me, (my child) out right now!"
- "Lord, I expect you to heal me right now!"
- "Lord, I expect you to step in and save my dream relationship right now!"
- "Lord, I expect you to turn my finances around right now!"

"His Thoughts Are Not Our Thoughts" Isaiah 55:8,9

We are prone to equate a lack of immediate communication with a lack of interest

Points to Consider

- There are some people who sleep through our storms because they don't care
- There are others who sleep because they are CONFIDENT of the outcome

It is therefore crucial to have the right people on board your ship!

Jesus was not unconcerned, but simply *confident*, in the outcome!

Some of Us Have the Wrong People on Our Ship

- They really don't care about you
- They care about the drama (your gossip news)
- They only care about the benefits you give
- They only care about their OWN issues

There Are Others On Board With You That Are Like Jesus

- They know that your outcome is secure
- Your nervousness doesn't make them nervous

Your tension doesn't make them tense

Don't mistake their lack of a heightened response as a lack of care

They have been riding with your Master!

Jesus' "Boat Choice " Should Comfort Us

- Mark 4:36 says that other boats were with them, no doubt facing the same storm
- You aren't the only boat being rocked
- You are not being "singled out" in the sea of life

Jesus' "Boat Choice" Should Comfort Us

- Notice which boat Jesus was on
- He could have been on one of the other boats
- He knows that all the boats are going through the storm (all are challenged by the winds and rains and storms of life)
- He could have allowed them(you) to take this trip alone

Jesus' "Boat Choice" Should Comfort Us

He could have chosen to "sit this one out"

 Instead He climbed up on Your boat and He is right there with you

The Plan of Salvation

Hear the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Believe the Gospel

Acts 15:7

Repent of your sins

Acts 17:30

Confess Christ

Acts 8:37

Be Baptized

Acts 2:38