



# The importance of prayer and obedience.

- 1:35, Jesus shows us the importance of prayer to prepare ourselves.
- 14:35–39, Jesus shows us the importance of praying in the midst of pain and anxieties.
- 6:45, Jesus shows us the importance of prayer in response to and recovery from any action or ministry.

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# The importance of prayer and obedience.

- The disciples are obeying what Jesus told them to do when they end up in this storm!
- Have you ever followed God’s will and ended in the middle of a storm?
- Our appetite should be to know Jesus more, not to be more comfortable!

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# The ‘I AM’ in the storm

1. In the OT only God is supposed to be able to walk on water and make paths through the sea! (Job 9:8, 38:17; Psalm 77:19; Isaiah 43:16)
2. Why was Jesus going to pass them by? (Job 9:11; Exodus 33:19+22, 34:6; 1 Kings 19:11)
3. ‘Fear not I AM who I AM!’
4. They could not understand.

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# WHO IS HE?

- They had not understood...
  - He shows who he is by what he does!
- Do you understand???

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# Responding to Jesus

- The problem of fame.
- Physical blessings are a fork in the road

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# Responding to Jesus

One road leads to Jesus' final saving purpose, to knowing and following him.

The other road leads to a false understanding of Jesus merely as a miracle worker, nothing more.

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