

Getting to Know Each Other.

Share light refreshments. Go around the group and introduce yourselves and talk through this question: *“What is worst storm you have ever been in?”* *

Follow up. Did you get to share with someone about Jesus this past week?
Or how else did you obey Jesus?

Vision. Jesus told us to “Make disciples.” The purpose of our Life Group is: To help people become Believers in Jesus and grow up to become Disciple Makers.

Bible Study Introduction. After a long day of teaching using parables, Jesus is about to teach His disciples an important truth about His authority, power, and faithfulness.

Pray. Before we read the Scripture, let’s pray that God will speak to each one of us.

Read. We will read through the passage three times and then discuss it, so listen carefully. Get three people to read **Mark 4.35-41.** **

Discuss these questions, one at a time, encouraging everyone who wants to respond to do so. Remind the group: Keep your answers based just on this passage.

1. What stands out or surprises you in this passage?
2. What does it show us about people and choices we can make?
 - What were the disciples accusing Jesus of when they said, *“Don’t You care that we’re going to die”*?
 - When was a time that you *felt* like Jesus didn’t care about what was happening to you?
3. What does this passage show us about God?
 - What was Jesus showing about Himself through this crisis?
 - Jesus was sleeping while the disciples were panicking. The storm didn’t wake Jesus, but the desperate cry of His followers woke Him. What does that show you about God?
 - What has God shown you about Himself through a crisis you have experienced?

Obeying Jesus. As disciples of Jesus, we want to follow Jesus in whatever way He is leading us today. As we pray silently for 30 seconds, see if God speaks to your heart. Pray something like this: *“Lord Jesus, what do you want me to do with what You are showing me today?”* [30 sec. silent prayer]

Remember to obey what God is saying to you. And this week ask God who He wants you to talk with about Jesus. Let’s close in prayer.

Closing Prayer.

Pray something like: “Lord, prepare the hearts of the people we will be sharing the Good News of Jesus with this week. And give us strength and joy as we follow You. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

* Use a different “icebreaker” if you prefer.

** Reading from different translations often helps.