Worship Service
August 28th, 2016

Presider …….Timothy Hong

*Worship Song ……..... Together with Band
Opening Prayer ……..... Presider
Bible Reading …… Matthew 8:23-27…….....….. Richard Shaffer
Prayer …….…….....…… Samuel Lebbie
Announcement ……..…….....…… Kurt Schwartz
Solo …….……. Jane Gonzalez
Offering Prayer ……... Presider
Offering …….....Together

Special Song ……...…….. Worship Band

Message …… **Jesus' Authority over the Storm** ……..… Ki Wang Song

*Benediction ……Presider

** Please stand*

Today's Sermon Outline
Jesus' Authority over the Storm
Matthew 8:24-27

Introduction

In today's text, Jesus' authority is over the winds and the waves. It is very well described in the Old Testament, book of Job and Psalms. "When he established the force of the wind and measured out the waters, when he made a decree for the rain and a path for the thunderstorm (Job 28:25-26)". "He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants (Ps104:4)." "He makes clouds rise from the ends of the earth; he sends lightning with the rain and brings out the wind from his storehouses (Ps 135:7)." However, there is a tremendous contrast between Jesus sleeping peacefully in the boat and the unglued disciples rushing around in the boat. To have the power of Jesus' authority over the storm, it is important that Jesus Christ is the head of our life. Jesus Christ is the center of our life. Jesus Christ is the Savior and Lord of our life, so no matter how great the storm is, Jesus will be right there by our side, and He is able to handle our storms.

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In verse 23, when Jesus got into the boat, the disciples followed Him. It does not mean that those followed Jesus truly believed in Jesus as the Messiah. It is hard to define whether they accept Jesus as head of their life or were just following. Paul mentioned that, God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church (Eph1:22). And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy (Col1:18). Whoever is called by him, has a purpose in Christ so Jesus can control their life. In the passage, the boat was tossed by the waves in the storm, and it is so obviously a helpless situation. There is nothing human that can control the situation and that exactly reflects our life. This is why everybody needs Jesus and needs to give him head ship to lead our life in his hand. Jesus said, "Come unto Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest." Rest, even in the midst of the storm.

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How can Jesus sleep at a time like that? Of cause, he was tired and tried get some sleep but if there is another reason, it was that He wasn't in a panic over the circumstances. He was at perfect peace in the storm and had no reason to be afraid. How can Jesus be so calm and peaceful? Because he knew that the storm was controlled at all the times, of course, and also, he believed that farther God would take care of every situation. As Psalm 121 says, "He who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, He who keeps Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep" (Psalm 121:3-4). He believes Farther, God will fulfill his destiny no matter what happened around him. Jesus says, "Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves (Jn14:11)." and "I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father (Jn14:12)." This is a life that is centered on Jesus. In fact, Jesus offers us the peace, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John 14:27).

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Even though we are true believer, there is a furious storm in our life. The disciples had come to the end of their own efforts. And they were saying, *"Save us, Lord; we are perishing!"* This was exactly the point that God wanted these men to come to. At this point Jesus rebukes the wind and the sea, and immediately the wind stopped and the sea became perfectly calm. This is a dramatic example of God's intervention into nature. And the disciples marveled, they were amazed at what Jesus did saying, *"What kind of a man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?"* This demonstrates Jesus' authority over nature since He is the one that created it. Colossians 1:16 tells us, "For by Him (Jesus) all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things have been created by Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together."

Applications

1. To help our faith and relationship with Christ, we have to trust and obey Christ as Lord overall including our own lives too. Why?

2. Do you think the disciples showed some faith? How so or why not? Why did Jesus rebuke them?

3. What can you do to prepare yourself for the storms of life? / Real faith will be shown when the storms come, what would your faith reveal?

Announcements

Lunch Preparation
This week – Christian Zandanga and Rosie. Next week – Volunteers need (contact Analis if you are willing to volunteer).

Prayer
Sister Daisy delivered a baby boy named King. Baby King was born premature and will return home in 3 weeks.

Homecoming
Pastor Timothy Hong has returned from Korea after attending the 40th anniversary of Korea ESF. WELCOME HOME Pastor Hong.

Deacons/Volunteers for Church Cleaning on Sundays (August)

Place	Group	Leader/ Members
Sunday school rooms	English	Patricia Grass/English
Fellowship Hall	French	Samuel Lebbie/French
Sanctuary/Baby Room	Spanish	Analiz Garcia/Spanish
Bathroom & Hallway	College and Youth	Moses Sanchez/Youth
Office	Filipino	Lyle Atonson/Filipinos

Ushers of the Month of August

Offering Ushers	Bethseida Lodriguez, Angelina Barrera, Espi Evans, Lyle Atonson
Welcome Ushers	Lidia Lopez, Haroon & Anayza Wilson
Kitchen	Lunch preparation group

Last Week's Offering

Tithe	Lyle & Lynnie Atonson//Erlyn Balano//Eryn Corachea//Lydia Hong//Lidia & Raul Lopez//Leiva Rolando Sanchez//Moses Sanchez//Charles Gaines
Lord's Day	Angelina Barrera//Juanita Evans//Maximo & Bertha Fernandez//Anayza & Haroon Wilson Gill//Timothy Hong//Bethsaida & Jada Rodriguez//Elijah Sanchez//Fausto & Kandy Sanchez//Richard Shaffer
Thanksgiving	Anayza & Haroon Wilson Gill//Kiwang & Inok Ryu Song
Mission	Erlyn Balano// Anayza & Haroon Wilson Gill//Timothy Hong//Lidia & Raul Lopez//Carlos Lopez//Richard Shaffer

Weekly Bible Reading Chart

Day/date	Old Testament	Check	New Testament	Check
Mon 8-29-16	Proverbs 5-6		1 Corinthians 14:1-20	
Tue 8-30-16	Proverbs 7-8		1 Corinthians 14:21-40	
Wed 8-31-16	Proverbs 9-10		1 Corinthians 15:1-32	
Thu 9-1-16	Proverbs 11-12		1 Corinthians 15:33-58	
Fri 9-2-16	Proverbs 13-14		1 Corinthians 16	
Sat 9-3-16	Proverbs 15-16		2 Corinthians 1	
Sun 9-4-16	Proverbs 17-18		2 Corinthians 2	

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Worship Services:
Sunday 11:30 AM

Prayer Services
Sundays 9:30 AM - Room 106
Friday 8:00 PM

Bible Study
Shepherd Group –Wednesday 8:00 PM

Cell Groups
Friday according to arrangement of each cell

College Student Ministry
Bible study – Church, Sunday 1:30 PM
Campus group- Truman, Friday 1:00 PM

Youth Ministry
Sunday – 1:30 PM

Children's Ministry
Sunday school- Sunday 11:30 AM

ESF Band Practice
Sunday 10:00 AM & 1:30 PM

Missionaries

Nancy Campos – Campus ministry in Peru
Miguelina Martinez- Campus ministry in Dominican Republic
Suri Kumar – Campus ministry and Hindu ministry in India
Jordan Custorio – Campus ministry in the Philippines
Richard Shaffer – Campus ministry in USA
Paul Uzoma –Campus ministry in Benin, Africa
Rahab Lee – Campus ministry in Asia
Chan Park – Church planting ministry in Croatia, Europe
Jung H. Suh – Campus ministry in Iowa, USA
Hae Taek Kown – Campus ministry in New York, USA

Ministers

Senior pastor -Timothy Hong
College Student Ministry – Ki Wang Song
Administration – Samuel Lebbie
Missions – Ho In Kim
Youth Ministry – Kurt Schwartz