

McCoy Memorial Baptist Church

Date: January 8, 2023

Title: "When Adversity Comes"

Text: John 6:16-21

INTRODUCTION:

1. God does not shelter His people from _____ and _____.
Listen as Paul & Barnabas tell the truth about following Jesus (Acts 14:22)
Thoughts from D. Jeremiah in his Foreward to N.D.W. book: Heaven Rules.

2. Trials accomplish two goals in the life of a Christian:
 - A. Proving the _____ of faith (cp. 1 Pet. 1:6-7)

 - B. Developing _____ character (cp. Jam. 1:2-4)
"... predestined to be conformed to the likeness of His Son" (Rom. 8:29)

3. The Subject of John 6: Jesus is the Bread of Life!
 - A. The _____ of the Bread of Life (6:1-15)
- *The miracle of the feeding of the 5,000*
- *SETTING: It took place "on the far shore of the Sea of Galilee."*

 - B. The _____ of the Bread of Life (6:22-71)
- *Jesus declared: "the living bread that came down from heaven (6:51)."*
- *SETTING: Jesus spoke "in the synagogue at Capernaum" (6:59).*

 - C. Nestled between the two parts of this chapter is the account of the disciples crossing "the Sea of Galilee (Tiberias)." NOTICE:
 - 1) The _____ Sea (6:17-18; Mt. 14:24; Mk. 6:47-52)

 - 2) The _____ Savior (6:19, 21; Mk. 6:51)

 - D. Jesus "walking on the water" is the 5th of seven "sign" miracles.
It demonstrated His mastery over _____
and caused those in the boat to "worship" Him (see Mark 14:33).

PRINCIPLES: Five of them when encountering adversity (or, "storms") across life's journey toward heaven's shore.

1. The presence of adversity is _____ that we are out of the will of God. See Mt. 14:22. Jesus "made the disciples get in."
2. A seeming _____ of _____ is no proof that we are out of the will of God (vs. 18).
3. The disciples experienced _____, but they were never in _____.
4. Just because Jesus is _____ to be seen, does not mean He is unaware or _____. See Matthew 14:23.
5. Jesus came to His disciples just when they needed Him _____.

Just When I Need Him Most

Words by the Rev. William Poole (pub. 1907)

Just when I need Him, Jesus is **near**,
just when I falter, just when I fear;
ready to help me, ready to cheer,
just when I need Him most.

Just when I need Him, Jesus is **true**,
Never forsaking all the way through,
Giving for burdens pleasures anew,
just when I need Him most.

Just when I need Him, Jesus is **strong**,
Bearing my burdens all the day long;
for all my sorrow giving a song,
just when I need Him most.

Just when I need Him, He is **my all**,
Answering when upon Him I call;
Tenderly watching lest I should fall,
just when I need Him most.