

## “Your Kingdom Come”

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#### A broken world

A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. (v.37)

#### A powerful word

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, ‘Quiet! Be still!’ Then the wind died down and it was completely calm. (v.39)

#### A Saviour to be worshipped

He said to his disciples, ‘Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?’ They were terrified and asked each other, ‘Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!’ (v.40-41)

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#### Digging Deeper Questions for group discussion & personal reflection

##### A broken world

How do you respond when you hear or read about the latest tragedy in the world? Does it distress you or have you become numb to the brokenness of our world?

What about personal tragedy? How have you coped? Have you doubted God, shouted at him, trusted him, or a combination of all three?

##### A powerful word

Why do you think Jesus took his disciples into a storm that day?

What authority did Jesus show, and what are we meant to deduce from this?

##### A Saviour to be worshipped

Where do people look in life for ‘salvation’? What do people think is the answer to their problems? How might we point people to Jesus?

Have you found reading the psalms has helped you to keep trusting God through hard times?

Perhaps share some psalms through which God has spoken to you.

You might want to reflect on Psalm 22 which Jesus quoted on the cross, tracking his (and David’s) anguish early on, through to praise and hope and triumph as it finishes!

A good song which speaks of God’s faithfulness through tough times is *‘Praise you in this storm’* by  *Casting Crowns* – have a listen on YouTube!