May 5 - Luke 8:22-25 - Small Groups

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- 1. The story of Jesus quieting the storm is often used as a spiritual lesson to teach that Jesus can also quiet the storms of life. But that lesson skips over a significant teaching about who Jesus is in the story. The story reveals Jesus as more than just a man but God Himself. How does the story portray Jesus as God? (Consider Old Testament imagery and ancient Jewish concepts).
- 2. If Jesus is God, we must take Him at His word. The first words Jesus told His disciples is that they will go across to the other side. How do you sense Jesus saying the same words to you right now, and how can you know it's true?
- 3. If Jesus is God, we can cry out to Him. Jesus' disciples woke Him up from His nap and cried for dear life. In the same way, we can cry out to Jesus at our deepest need. How can we foster, not just personally, but as a group and community of Christians, the posture of desperate prayer?
- 4. If Jesus is God, we must fear Him. Fearing Jesus is not being terrorized by HIm, but it is to be in awe of Him. How have you recently experienced a renewed sense of wonder, marvel, and awe of Jesus? If not recently, what does the experience of "fearing Jesus" look like in your life?