How to Survive Your Worst Storm - Week 2

Sermon Notes

Prepare for the storm now by knowing the Word

1 Peter 1:23 You have been born again, not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, through the **word** of God which lives and abides forever."

Fix your eyes on Jesus

Hebrews 12:2 "Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith." For the joy set before him, he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Search for the purpose of your storm

1 Peter 4:12-14 Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.

Nehemiah 8:10 The Joy of the Lord is my strength.

Surrender

Let your mantra be, "Come what may, Lord, have your way"

1Peter 5:6-11 6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.8 Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.9 Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.10 And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.11 To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Sacrifice your will to the will of Christ

1 Peter 1:18-21 For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God. God chose Him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days He has been revealed for your sake. Through Christ you have come to trust in God. And you have placed your faith and hope in God because He raised Christ from the dead and gave Him great glory.

Put your hope in Christ

1 Peter 1:3-7 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy, he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil, or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this, you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come **so that** the **proven genuineness of your faith**–of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire-**may result in praise, glory, and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.**

Sometimes Jesus calms the storm, and sometimes Jesus calms our fears

Stay in the eye of the storm

James 4:8 "Come near to God and He will come near to you.