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MARK



Where We've Been



Parables About The Kingdom:



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- The Sower (4:1-20)
- The Lamp (4:21-25)
- The Seed (4:26-29)
- The Mustard Seed (4:30-34)



Where We're Going



Spreading the Kingdom:

- Two More Demonstrations of Power (5:21-43)
- Jesus Rejected at Home (6:1-6)
- The Disciples Get Sent Out to Preach (6:7-13)



Mark moves on from his section of Jesus' parables about the Kingdom of God to stories of Jesus' power. Mark uses these stories to illustrate the emotional impact of Jesus' power so that we might know Him, and in knowing Him, might have confidence in Him.



Scary Movies



In space no one can hear you scream

A L I E N



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You'll Never Go In The Water Again

JAWS



You'll Never Go In The Water Again



**BE AFRAID.
BE VERY AFRAID.**

THE FLY



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They Feared For Their Lives...



They Feared For Their Lives...



...Until They Feared For Their Souls



Today's Text



Mark 4:35-41

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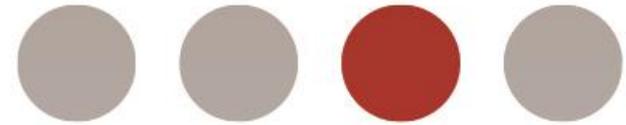
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Scary Movie Cues

- “When evening had come...”



Scary Movie Cues

- “When evening had come...”
- “Let’s go across to the other side of the lake...”



Scary Movie Cues

- “When evening had come...”
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- “a great windstorm arose...”



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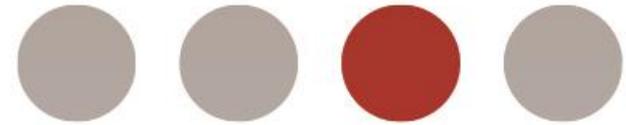
Jesus...

- ...is not helping bail the water
- ...is not praying for God's help (Jonah 1:1-6)
- ...is not even afraid with them



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- ...Jesus is preparing them.

For us...





For us...

- ...are we disciples?



For us...

- ...are we disciples?
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For us...

- ...are we disciples?
- ...Jesus has power we cannot even imagine
- ...Do we believe that He knows what He is doing, and that He cares?

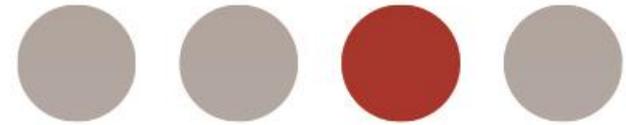


For us...

...God's goal is always – trust me even in this



The Encouragement



“Let all the world know that the Lord Jesus will not cast away His believing people because of shortcomings and infirmities.”

J.C. Ryle (1879)



Today's Text: Part 2

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Scary Movie Cues

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- “...a man with an unclean spirit” (demon-possessed)



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- that “No one had the strength to subdue”



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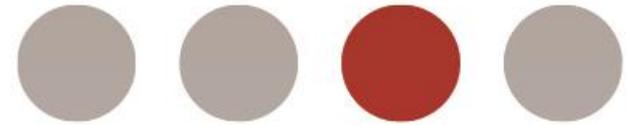


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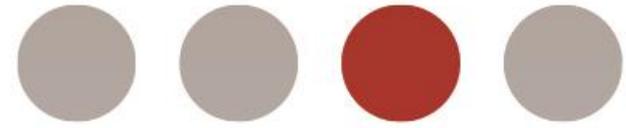


Great Power



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Greater Fear



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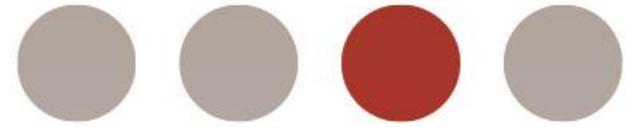
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- **Take a little time this week to think about your fears entering 2019**