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Suggested Questions for Individual
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- *Read Mark 4:35-41.* If you were to film this scene for a Hollywood blockbuster, how would you set it up? What would you direct your actors to do?
- Why do the disciples react the way they do during the storm? Why might Jesus be asleep in the stern?
- How does the disciples' fear after the storm differ from their fear in the middle of it?
- What tone of voice do you imagine Jesus used when rebuking the wind and waves? What was his tone with the disciples? What do your answers say about the way you view Jesus?
- What do Jesus' words and actions reveal about him? How would you answer the disciples' question: "Who is this?"
- When have you felt like Jesus was sleeping while you were in a storm, or when have you wanted to cry out to Jesus, "Don't you care?" What happened?
- About what might Jesus say to you, "Why are you timid? Have you no faith?" How will you respond? How can your small group or others support and pray for you as you do?

For Family Discussion: Ask: *How do you feel during big storms with lots of wind and rain?* Read Mark 4:35-41. Ask: *Why are Jesus' disciples afraid? What does Jesus do to help his disciples? How does he do it? What things make you afraid? How can you trust Jesus to help you?*

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