

**“Jesus Knows The Impact”** By Kirk Hunt

*But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, “Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?”*

Mark 4:38 NKJV

The little fleet of ships (v. 36) was ambushed by the storm. Peter and his brother Andrew, plus John and his brother James, were professional fisherman and skilled sailors. They fished the Galilee, which means they had to be experts regarding that body of water. Still, the impact of the storm threatened to sink them (v. 37).

Bad things happen to people. Skill, expertise and preparation are not always enough to prevent not-so-good circumstances. Sooner or later, unfavorable events will include you and yours.

Jesus, confident in the skill of His disciples, or exhausted from His ministry, fell asleep in the back of the ship. Despite the water flooding over the gunwale or the howl of the wind, Jesus slept while His friends grew increasingly panicked. Jesus woke up to desperate men and a violent, vindictive storm.

The disciples question is clearly driven by fear and distress. Of course Jesus cares. Yes, His completely human eyes were closed in sleep. Yes, His complete God-power surrounded them.

It may seem that God is “asleep” during your circumstances. The impact of the storm was not lost on Jesus. The impact of your circumstances are known to God, and He cares.

He sees the impact. He cares about you and yours. Call on Him, in faith and confidence.

**Think:** Jesus sees and cares about the impacts on my life.

**Pray:** “Lord, help me to be confident that You know and You care.”

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