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## **Mark 4:39**

**When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Silence! Be still!” Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm.**

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Then he asked them, “Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

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# Principle #1

**In spite of your present situation, difficulty, challenge or trial, God is in control. In every storm that God causes or allows, He has a purpose and a plan.**

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# Principle #2

**It is in the midst of storms or prolonged suffering that our faith has its greatest opportunity to grow and mature.**

**Our faith's development and the development of our character into Christlikeness is contingent upon our reaction to the storm or the long suffering.**

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# Principle #3

Usually, God will not guide you around a storm, He will generally take you through it.

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# Principle #4

**Sometimes a good night's sleep demonstrates more faith in God than staying up all night, praying.**

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# Principle #5

**Don't allow your emotions to  
overrule the truth of God's  
character and heart.**

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# Principle #6

**Having faith means trusting that God is who He says He is, and that God will take care of the things that only God can take care of.**

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**The storms of life should remind us that when things are calm, they aren't calm simply because they are calm, they are calm because God is the one who calms them.**



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# Principle #7

Every storm you experience provides you with an opportunity to evaluate your faith, to grow in your faith, and to learn more about God.

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