Walking with a Storm Chaser

1. Jesus wants to be our safe port in the storm.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28

2. Jesus the Dreamer calls us into the storms.

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.

Matthew 14:22

3. Storms can cause us to lose hope.

The boat was buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

Matthew 14:24-26

4. Success comes from focusing on Jesus, not the storm.

"Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," Jesus said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out. "Lord, save me!"

Matthew 14:28-30

5. Going through a storm it is easy to <u>feel alone</u>.

God Cares

Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

1 Peter 5:7

• Jesus <u>Understands</u>

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hebrews 4:15-16

6. Jesus goes into the Storm FOR us.

The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.

John 10:17-18