

He Promises

You're Not Alone in the Struggle



Message Summary

There are times when God takes us into storms not to discipline us, but to disciple us. When storms come, we can remain confident that Jesus will be with us through it all.

Key Scripture(s)

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

Additional Scriptures

- Mark 4:35-41 NIV

Start Talking

Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Share one way you've experienced God this week.

Start Thinking

Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- Read **Matthew 28:18-20**. What stands out to you in this Scripture? What does it look like for Jesus to be "with you always"?
- What are some ways difficult experiences can grow someone's faith?

Start Sharing

Choose a question to create openness.

- Share about a time when you experienced a hardship or storm that grew your faith. What did you learn about God through that experience?
- Is there a storm in your life right now that feels impossible, overwhelming, or scary? How are you seeing God in this situation?

Start Praying

Father, thank You for Your presence in our lives. We believe Your Word that You are with us even when we don't feel it. Help us to keep our eyes on You and may our lives be a reflection of Your love to others. In Jesus' name, amen.

Start Doing

- Spend time praying for one another this week.
- Start the *Where Is God When Life Is Hard?* Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: www.go2.lc/promise
- Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend or with a Local Mission Partner.