"Who IS this Man?" Mark 4:35-41

35 That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side."
36 Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him.

37 A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped.

38 Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

39 He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

40 He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"
41 They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

Psalm 107:23-25 (NIV)

23 Some went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters.
24 They saw the works of the Lord, his wonderful deeds in the deep.
25 For he spoke and stirred up a tempest
that lifted high the waves.

Psalm 107:26-28 (NIV)

26 They mounted up to the heavens and went down to the depths; in their peril their courage melted away. 27 They reeled and staggered like drunkards; they were at their wits' end. 28 Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress.

Psalm 107:29-31 (NIV)

29 He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed.
30 They were glad when it grew calm, and he guided them to their desired haven.
31 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for mankind.

Hebrews 12:1 (NIV)

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,

Hebrews 12:2 (NIV)

2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:3 (NIV)

3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

"Who We Are in Christ"

What the Bible says about those who have become Jesus followers

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We are God's . . .

- possession
- children
- elect
- chosen
- beloved
- heirs and Christ's co-heirs



- temple
- soldiers
- ambassadors
- witnesses
- workmen
- workmanship



adopted into God's family

justified freely by His grace

purchased by Christ's blood

rescued from the kingdom of darkness

brought into the kingdom of the Son



bought with a price

• made alive with Christ

raised with Christ

seated with Christ

chosen before the foundation of the world

We have been . . . • forgiven of all our sins

• indwelt by the Spirit



• complete in Him

set apart for the Master's use

strengthened by His mighty power

called to be saints

• called with a holy calling



protected from the evil one

• the salt of the earth

• the light of the world

• a holy priesthood

• a chosen people



• a holy nation

a people belonging to God

• being transformed into His likeness







- the hope of eternal life
- the message of reconciliation
- Christ dwelling in our hearts
- a heavenly home being prepared for us
- an anchor for the soul



- a Savior who died for us
- a Sanctifier who lives through us
- a Healer who restores us
- a King who returns for us





• the Spirit who fills us

• the Spirit who guides us

• the Spirit who gifts us

• the Spirit who bears His fruit through us



• come boldly to the throne

find mercy and grace in our time of need

• pray always and everywhere



be separated from God's love
We have not been given...
a spirit of fear

• a spirit of power, love, and self-control

Therefore, we do not . . .



• worry about tomorrow

grow weary in well doing

 cling to our lives even in the face of death, but overcome by the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony

Therefore, we do not . . .

• claim to be without sin

• continue in sin

Instead we . . .

 confess our sins in confidence that He forgives and purifies

• say "no" to ungodliness and worldly passion

• flee evil desires

hold to the teachings of the apostles

Instead we . . . • endure hardship • set our minds on things above • fix our eyes on Jesus • stand firm in faith • say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid"

Instead, we . . .

- know that our labor in the Lord is not in vain
- will marvel at Him in His coming
- will share in His glory
- . . . and, in our hearts set apart Christ as Lord!

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