THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

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The Story of Jesus

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And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. 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?"



Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?"



And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"





Jesus was like you



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We fight for Jesus' deity and overlook the significance of His humanity





Jesus was all God, but in a way we cannot fully understand He was also like us



And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him.



Jesus entered a house. Again a crowd gathered. It was so large that Jesus and his disciples were not even able to eat. His family heard about this. So they went to take charge of him. They said, "He is out of his mind."



Jesus' mother and brothers came and stood outside. They sent someone in to get him. A crowd was sitting around Jesus. They told him, "Your mother and your brothers are outside. They are looking for you."



"Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?" he asked. Then Jesus looked at the people sitting in a circle around him. He said, "Here is my mother! Here are my brothers! **Anyone who does what God wants** is my brother or sister or mother."



Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.



For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,



And so it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit...

The first man was of the earth, made of dust; the second Man is the Lord from heaven.





This means that Jesus understands!



For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.



For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted <u>as we are</u>, yet without sin.





Jesus being "all man" helps us realize that He understands what it is like to be us.

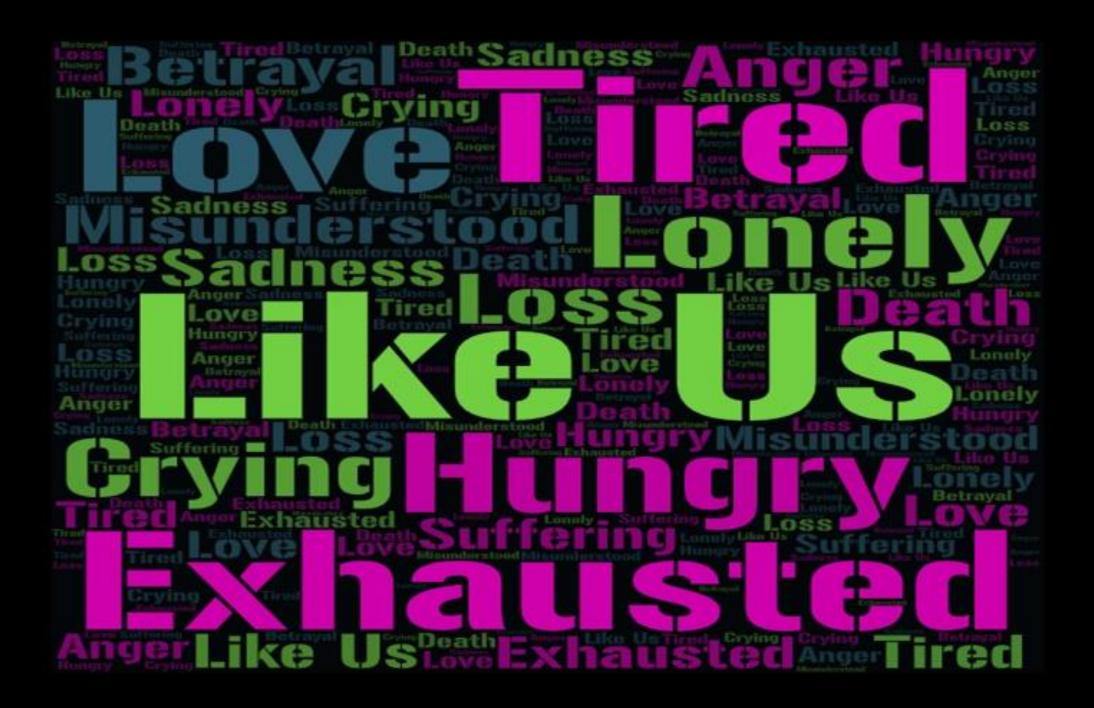




Christ has put on our feelings along with our flesh

John Calvin







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Storms happen



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Christianity has a unique perspective to the storms of life because we can turn to Jesus



My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.



We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed--





- Jesus was like you
- Storms happen

You can have peace in the storm



And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow...





Christianity is not a refuge from uncertainties, but rather a refuge during uncertainties



Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.





- Jesus was like you
- Storms happen
- You can have peace in the storm

Jesus in your boat makes a big difference





You don't have to feel alone



The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want...Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me





Jesus never promised an easy journey, but He did promise to be with you if He is your shepherd.



I will both lie down in peace, and sleep; For You alone, O Lord, make me dwell in safety.



Many are they who say of me, "There is no help for him in God." Selah But You, O Lord, are a shield for me, My glory and the One who lifts up my head. I cried to the Lord with my voice, And He heard me from His holy hill. Selah I lay down and slept; I awoke, for the Lord sustained me.



When you lie down, you will not be afraid; Yes, you will lie down and your sleep will be sweet. Do not be afraid of sudden terror, Nor of trouble from the wicked when it comes; For the Lord will be your confidence, And will keep your foot from being caught.





That which seems overwhelming to you is not overwhelming to God





Wherever Jesus is the storms of life become calm

William Barclay





If we only understand the power of the One in our boat, we would realize that our fears are groundless





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- Having Jesus in your boat makes a big difference

Don't you care?



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The disciples mistakenly assumed that Jesus' silence meant He didn't care





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Why are you afraid?



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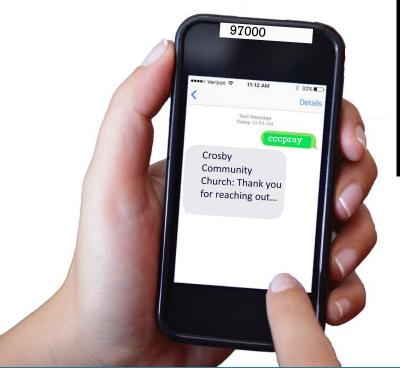
God became man and experienced our lives. He understands. He cares. We have rebelled against God and He wants to make it possible for us to be forgiven, so Jesus died on the cross for our sins. The One who calmed the storm wants to be in the boat with you!

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