

What is the greatest challenge to you in your faith? How do you typically handle the challenge when it happens?

Mark is the shortest, and probably the earliest gospel written. Mark gets right to the point letting the reader know his purpose is to show that Jesus is Lord.

Mark 4 is a familiar passage to many. The account of Jesus in the boat sleeping while the disciples panic in the storm is known by many. Jesus has just been teaching in parables to the crowd, but tells the disciples that he will explain everything clearly to them. He then leads them into the boat to give them an object lesson in faith, faith that Jesus is Lord.

Jesus is Lord of the ______.

Read Mark 1:1

What positive statements does Mark make at the beginning of his gospel?

"Good news"- evangelism- "God is setting up a new kingdom"- How would you describe the good news of the gospel? Read Mark 4:39.

How does Jesus demonstrate his Lordship over creation?

Read *Colossians 1:15ff*. What does Paul each us about Jesus and his Lordship?

Jesus is Lord in my _____

Read *Mark 4:35-37*. Jesus takes the disciples into a hard situation, and goes with them.

When confronted with a hard situation, where do I believe Jesus is? Do my actions reflect my answer?

Jesus is Lord of my _____.

Read Mark 4:40,41.

Who are the role models of faith that are my models? What attracts me to them?

When Jesus is my solution, my savior, I can focus less on the waves and see the waymaker through the waves.

This week:

What storm is overwhelming you?

How can I better focus on the truth, "Jesus is Lord" to help me through my storm?

Skim *Hebrews 11*. Quickly jot down those words, phrases that stand out for you.

Jesus is Lord over ______.