

# NCS MESSAGE GUIDE // MAY 3

**TOPIC:** What does God do all day?

**SCRIPTURE:** Mark 4:35-39 NLT

**CENTRAL TRUTH:** God is on a mission to save his entire creation from evil and has partnered with humanity to do it.

**PRAYER:** Father in Heaven, thank you for not forgetting about me and your creation. Thank you for your plan to get rid of evil and to make our world right. Until then give me the patience to get through each day and give me the courage to live a life dedicated to you.

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## Scripture

35 As evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let's cross to the other side of the lake."  
36 So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). 37 But soon a fierce storm came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water.  
38 Jesus was sleeping at the back of the boat with his head on a cushion. The disciples woke him up, shouting, "Teacher, don't you care that we're going to drown?"  
39 When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Silence! Be still!" Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm.

## Message Summary

During this quarantine a lot of us have seen others suffer in various ways, whether it has been someone's health, someone losing their job, or someone struggling mentally and emotionally. Throughout all of this we may ask Where is God? What is He doing right now? This week's message seeks to answer the question: What does God do all day? In the story from the scripture above Jesus' disciples are scared of drowning while in the middle of a storm. Jesus saves them by calming the wind and the waves. This story reflects God's mission of saving his entire creation from harm and evil, and how we must trust and wait that He will do it. Everyday God is working on His mission to save His creation. Part of God's mission to save all of His creation is to work through us to do it. As believers we must recognize that Jesus is with us and wants us to partner with Him to complete His mission.

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## **Questions to Consider**

1. Now that you know what God does all day. Why do you think He does it?
2. What are the “wind and waves” in your life right now? In other words how is evil present in your life?
3. Is there a way that you can participate with God in His mission? How?

## **Daily Spiritual Practice**

### *Monday*

- Listen to the song “Simple Gospel” on our YouTube Channel

### *Tuesday*

- Read Psalm 118 and reflect for 3 minutes on the scripture.

### *Wednesday*

- Take time today to get to know what your parents do for their job and why they do it. How does their job relate to God’s mission?

### *Thursday*

- Take time today to pray and ask God to push back the evil see you see in your own life and in the world around you.

### *Friday*

- Listen to the song “ENDLESS PRAISE” by Planetshakers to celebrate who God is and His plan for salvation for the whole earth.