



## Daily Verse and Comment

### Matthew 8:26

(26) He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.

### Mark 4:39

(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.

### Luke 8:24

(24) The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!" He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm.

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As the Son of [God](#) and with only the power of His word, Christ speaks, and the wind ceases. After the fierce storm relents, a great calm descends. This miracle over the environment contrasts the disharmony, disorder, and confusion of nature against the power, order, and [peace](#) of the Creator ([Psalm 89:9](#)).

Christ treats this storm and the sea as if they were antagonistic and rebelling forces under a dominating, unrestrained power, but His word is sufficient to calm them, just as it commands demons to leave those who are possessed. Conflicts and rebellions have their source in [Satan](#), the author of confusion in both the physical and spiritual worlds. Physical evils in nature and among mankind are among Satan's works that [Jesus](#) came to overcome and destroy.

When Jesus speaks to calm the storm, Mark indicates that He addresses more than a meteorological force but a being behind it. When He commands the sea, "Peace, be still!" the Greek phrase means "be muzzled or gagged," as though the storm were a maniac that had to be bound and restrained.

The waves of [the world](#) still rage against Christ's disciples, yet they will never be overwhelmed because Christ is in them ([Psalm 46:1-3](#); [93:3-4](#)).

— Martin G. Collins

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