"When Storms Speak"

Jeremiah 5:22 (AMP)

"(22) Do ye not fear me? saith the LORD; will ye not tremble at my presence, who placed the sand for the bound of the sea by an eternal order, which cannot be broken? Storms shall raise themselves up, yet they shall not prevail; their waves shall roar, yet they shall not pass over it."

<u>STORMS</u> – a disturbance of normal conditions of an atmosphere, mostly manifesting itself through forceful winds and torrential rains.

There are many kinds of storms. There are thunderstorms, tropical storms, ice storms, snow storms, tornados, hurricanes, and earthquakes, just to name a few. However, there is one we will talk about tonight and that is "A SPIRITUAL STORM!"

What is a **SPIRITUAL STORM**? It is something that happens naturally in your life to help you see more clearly spiritually.

- 2 Corinthians 4:7-10
- James 1:2-4

Question of the Night: What message am I suppose to get out of going through storms?

• Isaiah 54:11-13

We must remember that in this Christian walk of faith, we will go through some tough times, according to **Job 14:1**. However, the believer should always remember that storms don't and won't last forever.

- 2 Corinthians 4:16, 17
- 1 Peter 5:10
- Revelations 2:8-10

God allows storms to arise in our lives in order to do (2) things...

1	our
	a. Matthew 14:15-33
	b. Luke 8:22-25
	c. Acts 16:25-31
2	for our
	a. 2 Corinthians 12:5-9
	b. Psalms 107:23-30
	c. Acts 27:9-44

God also allows <u>STORMS</u> to remind us that He <u>SAW</u> our <u>SIN</u>, yet He's holding back the <u>WIND</u>.

- Nahum 1:2, 3, 7-9 (NASB)
- "2 A jealous and avenging God is the LORD; The LORD is avenging and wrathful. The LORD takes vengeance on His adversaries, And He reserves wrath for His enemies.
- 3 The LORD is slow to anger and great in power, And the LORD will by no means leave the guilty unpunished. In whirlwind and storm is His way, And clouds are the dust beneath His feet.
- 7 The LORD is good, A stronghold in the day of trouble, And He knows those who take refuge in Him.
- 8 But with an overflowing flood He will make a complete end of its site, And will pursue His enemies into darkness.
- 9 Whatever you devise against the LORD, He will make a complete end of it. Distress will not rise up twice."

When God speaks during your storm, (**my question is**); are you more interested in Him <u>CALMING</u> the storm or <u>COMING</u> during the storm?

• Deuteronomy 31:8 (NIV), <u>"The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."</u>