

Fighting Sinking When We Are Hit By Sorrow Upon Sorrow

Philippians 2:27 For indeed he was sick almost unto death; but God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.

I. Sorrow

Matthew 14:10-12 So he sent and had John beheaded in prison. 11 And his head was brought on a platter and given to the girl, and she brought it to her mother. 12 Then his disciples came and took away the body and buried it, and went and told Jesus.

Luke 1:36 Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.

John 1:40-42 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus.

Proverbs 15:13 A merry heart make a cheerful countenance, But by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

Matthew 14:13 When Jesus heard it, He departed from there by boat to a deserted place by Himself. But when the multitudes heard it, they followed Him on foot from the cities.

II. Anger Upon Sorrow

Matthew 14:5 And although he wanted to put him to death, he feared the multitude, because they counted him as a prophet.

Proverbs 27:4 Wrath is cruel, and anger is outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?

John 6:13-15 Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world." 15 Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone.

Matthew 14:22 Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

III. Weariness Upon Anger Upon Sorrow

John 6:18 Then the sea arose because a great wind was blowing.

John 6:19 So when they had rowed about three or four miles

Mark 6:46-48 And when He had sent them away, He departed to the mountain to pray. 47 Now when evening came, the boat was in the middle of the sea; and He was alone on the land. 48 Then He saw them straining at rowing, for the wind was against them. Now about the fourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea, and would have passed them by.

IV. Fear Upon Weariness Upon Anger Upon Sorrow

Matthew 14:24-27 But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. 25 Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. 26 And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. 27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid."

Proverbs 12:25 an anxious heart weighs a man down, but a kind word cheers him up.

Matthew 14:28-32 And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" 31 And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

V. Safely Through The Storm

Matthew 14:32 And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased.

John 6:21 Then they willingly received Him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land where they were going.

Matthew 14:33 Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

V. Courage, Strength, Peace, And Joy Through God

Psalms 23:4 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.

Psalms 56:3-4 Whenever I am afraid, I will trust in You. In God (I will praise His word), 4 In God I have put my trust; I will not fear. What can flesh do to me?

Psalms 18:2 The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer; My God, my strength, in whom I will trust; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Isaiah 26:3 You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You,

Philippians 4:4 Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!

Hebrews 6:19 This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil,

Hebrews 10:23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.