Beyond Sunday

Storms & Miracles

A Sermon Application Guide

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Our hope is that the living, breathing words of truth that are revealed to you become a part of your everyday life. In the book of James, we read about a key to living life with God. We are told that if we ask for wisdom by faith then we shall receive it generously from our Father in Heaven. One of the best ways to receive this wisdom is by preparing to receive it. We invite you to pray this prayer prior to the message and starting the study guide:

"God, thank You for Your truth and wisdom. Help me to see what I need to see, hear what I need to hear, and know what I need to know. Holy Spirit, help me to understand in a way that shows me the Father's true nature and heart. May this time help me to know You more and become more like Jesus. Amen."

Message Theme

God wants to show us who He is even in the storms.

Key Concepts/Truths

God takes what is broken and blesses it. If it's not good, it's not done.

What the devil means to use for your destruction, God will take and put in your hand and it will become your victory.

The size of your miracle begins with the faith that you have.

God wants to reveal his word to you and make it come alive, make it life changing, faith bringing, and deliverance restoring in your life.

You can't take time off from the Kingdom of God and expect to mature.

Feed yourself spiritually, don't be fed by others only. Meditate on God's word for spiritual growth.

God wants to work miracles through those who nobody else considers so that all the glory returns to Him.

You are not written off by your past or what people say about you.

Key Verses- Mark 6:34-49 • Joshua 1:8 • Hebrews 10:36 • Philippians 4:6

Which one truth do you already have evidence of in your life today? Ask the Lord for new ways to see even more of it for you and others around you. Write your answers out.

Which one truth is the most challenging or least existing in your life today? Why do you think this is? Ask the Lord if there are any beliefs or barriers that are keeping you from believing that particular truth. Write it out.

Real-Life Application

Jesus blessed and gave thanks for that which was not enough and God multiplied it into more than enough, passing it on to thousands. This is an exact picture of what the Lord wants to do in our lives. Our blessings and miracles are meant for more than just ourselves. God wants to bless us so that we can be a blessing to those around us, but we need to have the necessary structure in place to receive our blessing.

Going through storms is a process that strengthens us to hold more of what the Lord has for us. Hearing what God says and then diligently laying a foundation in our lives based on it is also a necessary process for us to receive the full weight of what he has in store for us. God tells us to build our house on the rock of his word! The rock provides stability when storms come, but it also provides a foundation for continued growth, expansion, and longevity. As we rely on what God says is true in our lives, we will grow and mature, weather life's storms, and come out stronger and more blessed to be a blessing because of it. What words of His do you need to stand on this week?

This Week's Declarations

Life is released when your words are in agreement with God. Intentionally speaking life and biblical truth out loud is extremely powerful. In fact, you have that very life in the power of your tongue. These words below, when spoken out loud, will cause an acceleration of the reality of God's words in your life. We encourage you to speak the following with an expectancy to renew your mind and see God's fullness.

- I build the foundation of my life on the word of God.
- I endure, I press through, and do the will of God and I will receive his promise.
- If it's not good it's not done, because when it's done it'll be good!
- By God's grace I will come through my storm stronger and more blessed than I was before.
- I am blessed to be a blessing and I pass on the gifts that God has deposited in my life.
- I am not written off by my past or what people say about me. I accept God's truth in my life, and he uses me to make his miracles known.

Greater Things

No matter what storm we go through, Jesus will come walking on the water. The wind may press against you and the waves may shake the boat, but He is coming! He is the wave walker, way maker, a deliverer, and the King of Kings. He is our High Priest, our cloud by day and fire by night. He is the captain of our salvation, our redeemer, our shepherd, and always more than enough!

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, thank Him, and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References Storms & Miracles

Mark 6:34-49 NKJV

And Jesus, when He came out, saw a great multitude and was moved with compassion for them, because they were like sheep not having a shepherd. So He began to teach them many things. When the day was now far spent, His disciples came to Him and said, "This is a deserted place, and already the hour is late. Send them away, that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy themselves bread; for they have nothing to eat." But He answered and said to them, "You give them something to eat." And they said to Him, "Shall we go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread and give them something to eat?" But He said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see." And when they found out they said, "Five, and two fish." Then He commanded them to make them all sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in ranks, in hundreds and in fifties. And when He had taken the five loaves and the two fish, He looked up to heaven, blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to His disciples to set before them; and the two fish He divided among them all. So they all ate and were filled. And they took up twelve baskets full of fragments and of the fish. Now those who had eaten the loaves were about five thousand men. Immediately He made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while He sent the multitude away. And when He had sent them away, He departed to the mountain to pray. Now when evening came, the boat was in the middle of the sea; and He was alone on the land. 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. And when they saw Him walking on the sea, they supposed it was a ghost, and cried out;

Matthew 7:25 NKJV

and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

Joshua 1:8 NKJV

This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night...

1 Peter 2:2 KJV

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby...

Matthew 16:13-17 NKJV

... He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

Ephesians 6:17 NKJV

...the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Mark 4:24-25 AMPC

And He said to them, Be careful what you are hearing. The measure [of thought and study] you give [to the truth you hear] will be the measure [of virtue and knowledge] that comes back to you—and more [besides] will be given to you who hear.

Isaiah 26:3 NKJV

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You...

2 Corinthians 9:6 NLT

...a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop.

Matthew 5:39 NKJV

But I tell you not to resist an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.

Luke 6:38 KJV

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over,

Mark 6:38 NKJV

But He said to them, "How many loaves do you have?

2 Kings 4:1-7 NKJV

A certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the Lord. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves." **2** So Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?" And she said, "Your maidservant has nothing in the house but a jar of oil." **3** Then he said, "Go, borrow vessels from everywhere, from all your neighbors—empty vessels; do not gather just a few. **4** And when you have come in, you shall shut the door behind you and your sons; then pour it into all those vessels, and set aside the full ones." **5** So she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons, who brought *the vessels* to her; and she poured *it* out. **6** Now it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." And he said to her, "*There is* not another vessel." So the oil ceased. **7** Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debt; and you *and* your sons live on the rest."

Hebrews 10:36 NKJV

For you have need of endurance...

Matthew 11:12 KJV

...the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

James 5:11 NKJV

Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.

Romans 8:28 NKJV

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Philippians 4:6 NKJV

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.

Luke 15:11-32 NKJV

Then He said: "A certain man had two sons. **12** And the younger of them said to *his* father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to me.' So he divided to them his livelihood. 13 And not many days after, the younger son gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with [a]prodigal living. 14 But when he had spent all, there arose a severe famine in that land, and he began to be in want. **15** Then he went and joined himself to a citizen of that country, and he sent him into his fields to feed swine. 16 And he would gladly have filled his stomach with the [b]pods that the swine ate, and no one gave him *anything*. **17** "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, 19 and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants." 20 "And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.' **22** "But the father said to his servants, [c] 'Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. 23 And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; **24** for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry. 25 "Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. **26** So he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. 27 And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and because he has received him safe and sound, your father has killed the fatted calf.' 28 "But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore his father came out and pleaded with him. 29 So he answered and said to his father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. **30** But as soon as this son of yours came, who has devoured your livelihood with harlots, you killed the fatted calf for him.' 31 "And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. 32 It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found."

Ezra 3:10-11 NKJV

10 When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, the [a] priests stood in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites, the sons of Asaph, with cymbals, to praise the Lord, according to the ordinance [b] of David king of Israel. **11** And they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the Lord: "For *He is* good, For His mercy *endures* forever toward Israel." Then all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4 NKJV

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Psalm 23:5 NKJV

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

Proverbs 18:10 NKJV

The name of the Lord is a strong tower; The righteous run to it and are safe.