

MESSAGE NOTES



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All too often, those of us who profess faith in Jesus live like practical atheists.

Jesus shows us His trust-worthiness.

Three Questions:

1. Is there anything going on in my life that Jesus is unaware of? No.

"Now we understand that you know everything, and there's no need to question you. From this we believe that you came from God."

John 16:30 (NLT)

2. Is there anything I am facing where I have to go through it alone, without Christ's help? No.

"And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:20 (NLT)

"⁶ So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor. ⁷ Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you. ⁸ Stay

alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Stand firm against him and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are."

1 Peter 5:6–9 (NLT)

"¹ God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble. ² So we will not fear when earthquakes come and the mountains crumble into the sea. ³ Let the oceans roar and foam. Let the mountains tremble as the waters surge!"

Psalms 46:1–3 (NLT)

3. Is there anything I am facing, or will later, that God is unable to use for good – for me and others? No.

"And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them."

Romans 8:28 (NLT)

TAKE HOME SHEET



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“²² Immediately after this, Jesus insisted that his disciples get back into the boat and cross to the other side of the lake, while he sent the people home. ²³ After sending them home, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. Night fell while he was there alone.

²⁴ Meanwhile, the disciples were in trouble far away from land, for a strong wind had risen, and they were fighting heavy waves. ²⁵ About three o'clock in the morning Jesus came toward them, walking on the water. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the water, they were terrified. In their fear, they cried out, “It’s a ghost!” ²⁷ But Jesus spoke to them at once. “Don’t be afraid,” he said. “Take courage. I am here!”

²⁸ Then Peter called to him, “Lord, if it’s really you, tell me to come to you, walking on the water.” ²⁹ “Yes, come,” Jesus said. So Peter went over the side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the strong wind and the waves, he was terrified and began to sink. “Save me, Lord!” he shouted.

³¹ Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. “You have so little faith,” Jesus said. “Why did you doubt me?” ³² When they climbed back into the boat, the wind stopped. ³³ Then the

disciples worshiped him. “You really are the Son of God!” they exclaimed.”

Matthew 14:22-33 (NLT)

Now consider the questions we looked at:

1. Is there anything going on in my life that Jesus is unaware of? No.
2. Is there anything I am facing where I have to go through it alone, without Christ’s help? No.
3. Is there anything I am facing, or will later, that God is unable to use for good – for me and others? No.

How does knowing what God offers help shift my perspective?

BIBLE TRANSLATIONS:

NLT – New Living Translation