

# TO BE CONTINUED...

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**Description:** God promised us that "we would face trials of many kinds", but he also promised us that, "He would be an ever present help in our time of trouble". We were not promised perfect circumstances, or a perfect world. We were promised an imperfect world with imperfect circumstances and a God who would remain perfect to us in those circumstances. God is who he says he is. He isn't less God when things are bad at home. He isn't more God when we have joy and things are going well. You can trust him when it doesn't make sense.

**Bottom Line:** God will allow you to go places you never wanted in order to become someone you never thought you could be.

### Discussion Questions:

1. Throughout your life, what perceptions of God have you had? How are those different than how you see God now?
2. Discuss the difference between faith and trust when it comes to our relationship with God.
3. **Read Matthew 14:22-33.** What was the purpose of Jesus' request on Peter? Now, put yourself in Peter's shoes. How would you have reacted when Jesus told you to get out of the boat? Do you find it difficult to trust God with your circumstances? Why or why not?
4. **Read Mark 4:35-41.** Doubt is a natural part of being human. Even Jesus' disciples doubted. Describe a time when you were filled with doubt about a circumstance. How did you overcome that doubt?
5. As a group pray this prayer together, *"God, you are not God because of what you will do in situations that challenge me, you are God because of what you have already done. I...trust...you."*
6. What has been the most helpful thought/idea from the message this week? How has that thought/idea helped you?
7. How can the group encourage you this week?