



## Sermon Notes: Into The Storm

### 1. The power of the storm.

### 2. The promise in the storm.

- a. God will keep you alive.
- b. God will also save anyone who stays with you.

### 3. The paradox of the storm.

- a. God is sovereign.
- b. And yet humans are still responsible.

### 4. The preservation in the storm.

- a. No miracle saved Paul from the storm.
- b. Yet God saved Paul through the storm.

### 5. The practicality of the storm.

- a. God never promised to save you from storms.
- b. Storms do not mean God's mad or is punishing you.
- c. You < storm < God.
- d. God uses storms to take you to a place where He is your only hope.
- e. No storm can ultimately ruin you because there was a day when a storm ruined Jesus.



## Application Questions: Into The Storm

1. How have you taken advantage of your providential circumstances in a more intentional way this week?
2. What “storms” are you facing right now?
3. What are some things you do to try to maintain control over (or during) these storms?
4. What thoughts and feelings tend to dominate your reaction to these storms?
5. What sorts of things have you prayed in response to these storms? How have these storms impacted your worship and other aspects of your spiritual life?
6. What are some God-given responsibilities you have because of, in spite of, or in the midst of, these storms?
7. With respect to your answers in question #6, how does the ultimate sovereignty of God over your situation encourage you and shape your execution of these responsibilities?
8. The sermon asserted that while God never promised to save Christians *from* storms, He does promise to save us *through* them. Put this in your own words. Do you agree or disagree? Give an example of how you’ve seen this play out in your own life.
9. Storms have the ability to show us what we’re putting our functional hope in, in place of God. What are some of those alternate sources of hope? Which of these have you seen in your own life?
10. When you feel like a storm is going to ruin you (or has ruined you) emotionally, psychologically, financially, spiritually, etc., what do you think is the one ultimate thing God wants you to see and believe?
11. What one thing will you do with this message?