

# A NEW KIND OF FAMILY

BEING CHURCH DURING THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

**Read:**  
**Luke 8:16-25**

*'He got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waters; the storm subsided, and all was calm.'*

## ALL THE CALM I NEED

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In a weird way, this story where Jesus calms the storm both comforts and confuses me.

I feel comforted to know that whatever dark period I am going through in my life, God has the power to calm it. It's a comforting thing to know that someone this powerful is on my side.

Yet in a time like this where it seems as though nothing is calm, I find this story very confusing. Why isn't God stopping the current problems?



Whilst I don't know the answer to this question, I am reminded that it is a reassuring thing in itself that God is with me.

In all problems such as this one, he is there to console me.

And despite the coronavirus pandemic not leaving, perhaps God's presence is all the calm I need.

## **Question to reflect upon:**

- What questions would you like to ask God today?

## **Prayer:**

*Father,  
You are Lord of everything.  
You know everything about us.  
You know everything about the world.  
You hold it all.  
Help us to trust you even when we don't understand.  
Help us to trust you in everything.  
Amen.*