

You are powerful in Christ!

Yesterday I had a moment of realization of power within my reach!
Not power that I have myself, but the power that I have through Jesus Christ.

We experienced bad weather that was producing tornados, and in the midst of those storms, I found myself terrified.

The meteorologist talked about the storm getting closer and closer and as it approached my town it was building into a much larger storm than expected.

We had already gone to our storm shelter, but as I stood at the doorway and watched as the wind increased, the lighting seemed closer and closer and the rain was heavier,

I began praying, "Lord, protect us!"

Every few minutes an update would be given by the news and the storm would be closer and larger than before.

And in that moment right before I knew the storm would be hitting my small community, I remembered my Jesus power!

You see, I had prayed for protection, but I forgot that Jesus Christ gave me the same power He had on this Earth!

And if I had authority in the name of Jesus Christ to do as He did, and if Jesus calmed a storm, if He told it to obey and it listened, then in His name this storm had to listen too!

And you know what I saw, I began to see the wind calm, the lightning cease, and the rain slack. That's the power of Jesus Christ!

You know, we all have moments of fear, when we feel we've lost all control of things, when we need peace, calmness and serenity.

Let's not forget that the God who made the earth also gave us a way out of our storms!

Sister, your storm may be bigger than you, but it is not bigger than our Jesus.

You have power and authority in the name of Jesus! Today, I encourage you to be strong in the Lord and overcome those storms!

Scriptures to study:

“I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth is already bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth is already loosed in heaven.””

Matthew 16:19 HCSB

“On that day, when evening had come, He told them, “Let’s cross over to the other side of the sea.” So they left the crowd and took Him along since He was already in the boat. And other boats were with Him. A fierce windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking over the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But He was in the stern, sleeping on the cushion. So they woke Him up and said to Him, “Teacher! Don’t You care that we’re going to die? ” He got up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Silence! Be still! ” The wind ceased, and there was a great calm. Then He said to them, “Why are you fearful? Do you still have no faith? ” And they were terrified and asked one another, “Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey Him! ””

Mark 4:35-41 HCSB

“Then Jesus came near and said to them, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.”

Matthew 28:18 HCSB

““I assure you: The one who believes in Me will also do the works that I do. And he will do even greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. Whatever you ask in My name, I will do it so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.”

John 14:12-14 HCSB

Study questions:

What storms am I facing right now?

When have I witnessed Jesus calming storms in my life before now?

Why do I feel afraid of these storms?

Where can I apply these scriptures to my life and show these storms
My Jesus is in control?

How can I use this message and my storms to encourage another
woman in my life?

Today's Prayer:

Father, I come to you and ask today that you help me to hold these scriptures in my heart during the storms I face. I ask that you remind me of the power and authority that I have through Jesus Christ and that I may use my situations to bless others and glorify your name. Lord, calm the storms in my life as you see fit and may Your will be done within this moment of my life. I love you, Lord, and I ask these things in the Mighty Name of Jesus Christ! Amen!