

MARK 4:26-41 STUDY NOTES

In the previous passage, we were introduced to the parable of the sower which was the foundation for understanding all parables. It talked about the secret to the Kingdom of God, the word as seed, seeing and perceiving, hearing and understanding, hearing and accepting, the importance of soils, all as keys to understanding how the kingdom of God works. In this passage, we have additional teaching on parables and an incident on the lake with Jesus and the disciples in the midst of a storm. Here are some questions to ponder.

1. In verses 26-34 what additional teaching about parables and the kingdom of God are being reinforced, added or expanded?
2. What are some of the key lessons or issues that the story of the storm in the lake brings out to the disciples or to us?
3. Review how Jesus has shown his authority up to this point, and how does this story add to our understanding of his authority?
4. How do we pass on what we are learning in order to be more productive in the kingsom?