**Jesus Rules – Deliver Us from Fear Mark 4:35 – 5:43**

Thesis - *“The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repeat and believe in the Gospel.”* Mk 1:15

Kingdom = Rule & reign of God that brings blessing of Life:

* Forgiveness,
* Freedom from oppressive spirits,
* Healing,
* Release from broken rule-oriented faith
* Some receive it/accept it (v3:35) “Whoever does the will of God” is Jesus’ spiritual family.
* Some reject the kingdom – Scribes, Pharisees, Herodians, Jerusalem Faith Police (3:32)

**4 Parables: Mark 4:1-34 Application:** Hear & Heed the word of God

There is Hope for the kingdom because God is the farmer. He causes the growth!

1 Corinthians 3:6-7 I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.

Our part is to savor the seed/ God’s word & Sow with confidence the word of God

Therefore: Let your light shine Leave mystery of the seed/word’s growth to God Watch the mustard seed of the kingdom turn into the largest/ greatest kingdom

**Miracles: Mark 4:35-5:43**

 **What Jesus does Therefore in the Kingdom Response**

 Jesus calms the storms No storms Many reject this

 Jesus casts out the demons No demons

 Jesus cures sickness No sickness Some Believe:

 Jesus raises the dead No death Submit to Jesus

 Surrender to Jesus

Therefore, the church prays, “Thy kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven”

**How do we wait for the ‘now but not yet’ kingdom of God?**

1. Wait with the fear of The Lord God (fear to know who He is)

Disciples in the boat after the storm is stilled

 Not like towns people who rejected Jesus’ presence

1. Wait for faith that brings

Peace – (vv 33-34) woman bleeding, healed – Afraid to be known by Jesus

Hope- (v36) Confidence that death is not the last word

Conclusion: Song Amazing Grace: “Grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved”

The kingdom of God brings the Gospel of grace:

* To Fear God
* To wait for the fear that Jesus relieves