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A SHELTER FROM THE STORM

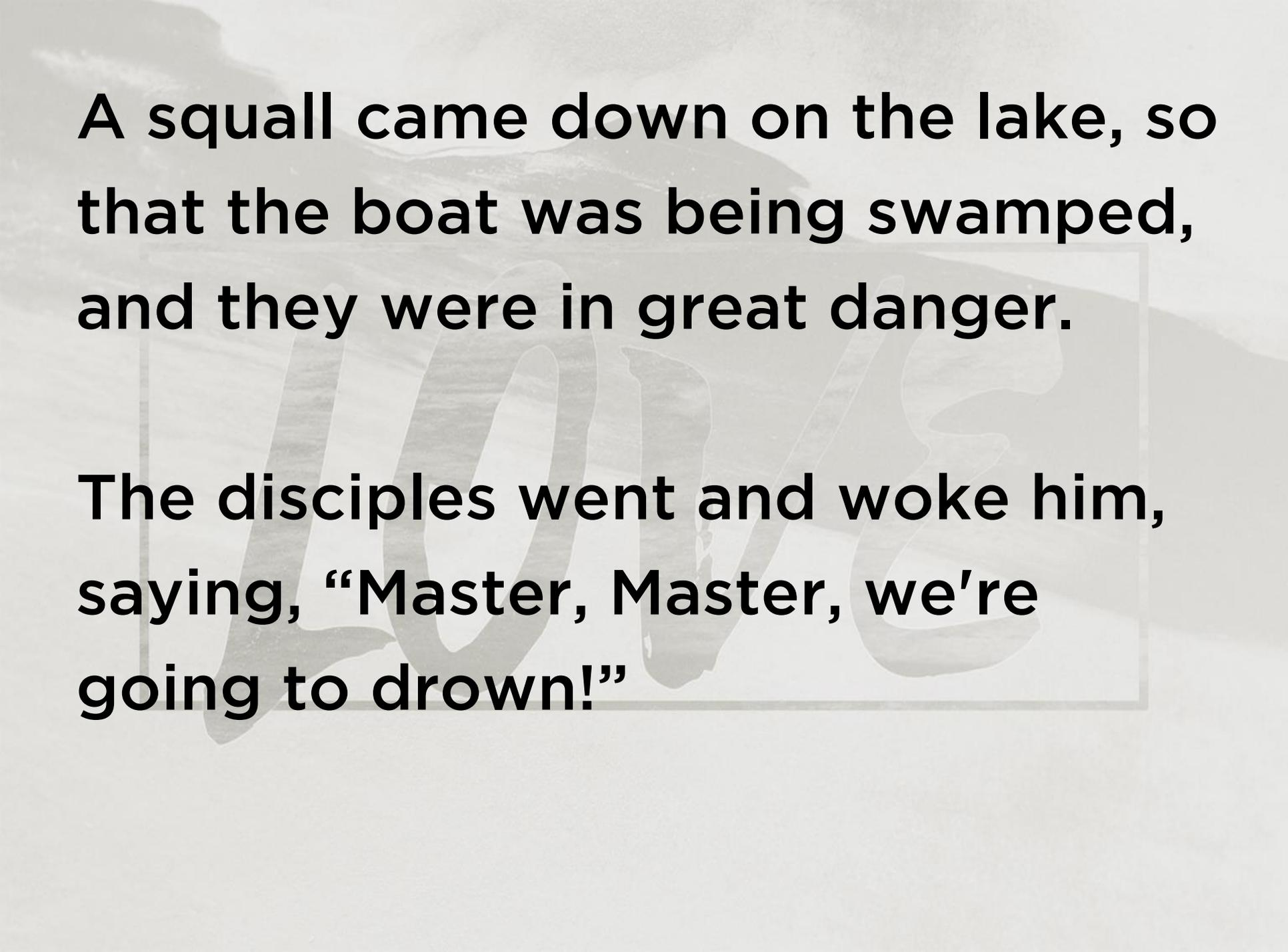
Introduction:

Today's story is about the limitless power of God, the deceptiveness of circumstances, and the safety and security in which believers walk.

Text: Luke 8:22-25

**One day Jesus said to his disciples,
“Let us go over to the other side of
the lake.”**

**So they got into a boat and set
out. As they sailed, he fell asleep.**



A squall came down on the lake, so that the boat was being swamped, and they were in great danger.

The disciples went and woke him, saying, “Master, Master, we’re going to drown!”

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

“Where is your faith?” he asked his disciples.

In fear and amazement they asked one another, “Who is this?”

He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him.”

Luke 8:22-25

The safety and security that believers experience in Christ is **ABSOLUTE; NOTHING** happens in our lives that God doesn't **ALLOW.**

The disciples were safe when they didn't **FEEL** safe, because **PERCEPTION** and **REALITY** are not the **SAME** thing.

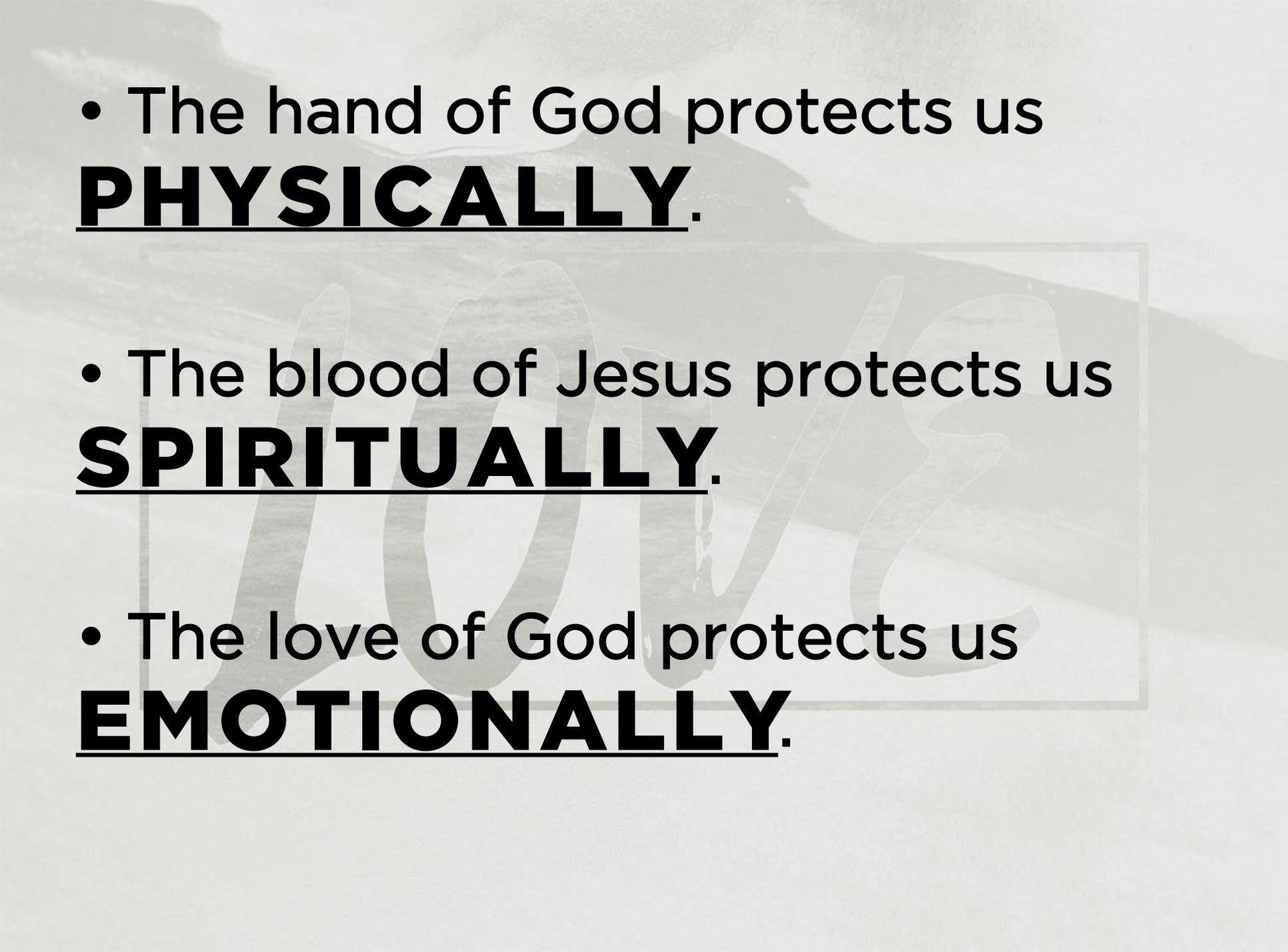
The storm **AROUND** the
disciples created a storm
WITHIN them, but didn't
create anything that would be
ALLOWED to
DESTROY them!

The disciples weren't safe because of the **SIZE** or **STRENGTH** of the boat, but because of **WHO** was in the boat with them.

God will never allow His
PURPOSES or **PLANS** to
be **DESTROYED!**



The safety and security that believers experience in Christ is **ALL-ENCOMPASSING;** every part of our **BEINGS** is affected.



- The hand of God protects us
PHYSICALLY.

- The blood of Jesus protects us
SPIRITUALLY.

- The love of God protects us
EMOTIONALLY.

Conclusion:

**Is Jesus in your heart,
or are you passing through
this life without experiencing
the presence of God?**



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