

Matthew 8:23-27 **Sea Calmed**

²³ Now when He got into a boat, His disciples followed Him. ²⁴ And suddenly a great tempest arose on the sea, so that the boat was covered with the waves. But He was asleep. ²⁵ Then His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" ²⁶ But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. ²⁷ So the men marveled, saying, "Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?" NKJV

Facts Revealed:

Jesus calms the Storm at Sea [Mark 4:35-41, Matthew 8:23-27, Luke 8:22-25]

- ✚ The disciples were fishermen, they made their living on the Sea of Galilee.
- ✚ The storm was of sufficient ferocity to convince the experienced fishermen that they would not survive it.
- ✚ They knew enough to expect Jesus to be able to save them, so they brought their fear to Him.
- ✚ Jesus said, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?"
 - ✧ Jesus knew they had enough faith to come to Him, but they did not have enough faith to quiet their fear of the storm.
- ✚ At the Word of Jesus, the wind stopped, the waves quieted, and there was a great calm.
- ✚ Thus Jesus provided **evidence** as to His true identity.

Psalm 89:8-9

- ⁸ O **Yehowah Elohey Tsebavta** (LORD God of hosts), Who is mighty like You, O Yehowah (LORD)? Your faithfulness also surrounds You.
- ⁹ You rule the raging of the sea; When its waves rise, You still them.

Psalm 107:23-29

- ²³ Those who go down to the sea in ships, Who do business on great waters,
 - ²⁴ They see the works of **Yehowah** (the LORD), And His wonders in the deep.
 - ²⁵ For He commands and raises the stormy wind, Which lifts up the waves of the sea.
 - ²⁶ They mount up to the heavens, They go down again to the depths; Their soul melts because of trouble. ²⁷ They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, And are at their wits' end.
 - ²⁸ Then they cry out to **Yehowah** (the LORD) in their trouble, And He brings them out of their distresses.
 - ²⁹ He calms the storm, So that its waves are still.
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Psalm 65:5-7

- ⁵ By awesome deeds in righteousness You will answer us, O **Elohey** (God of our) salvation, You who are the confidence of all the ends of the earth, And of the far-off seas; ⁶ Who established the mountains by His strength, Being clothed with power; ⁷ You who still the noise of the seas, The noise of their waves, And the tumult of the peoples.
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- ✧ By these texts of the Psalm which clearly state that it is **Yehowah Elohey** Who stills the storm and the waves, we see the evidence that Jesus is demonstrating that He is indeed the **Yehowah Elohey** of the Israeli Scriptures.

✚ Jesus also said to the disciples after His resurrection:

Luke 24:44

44 Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that **all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms** concerning Me."

✚ It was enough to cause the disciples who witnessed the miracle, to say: "Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?"

✧ The evidence is compelling.