

Adult Small Groups Discussion Questions
Sunday, December 23, 2012
Miracles of Christmas

I. Read Psalm 107:1-43

- In what kinds of distress do men cry out to God for deliverance?
vv. 4-9
vv. 10-16
vv. 17-22
vv. 23-32
vv. 33-42
- What consistent action is taken by the needy in this psalm?
v. 6
v. 13
v. 19
v. 28
- What is God's consistent response to the cry of the afflicted?
v. 6
v.13
v.19
v.28

II. Read Mark 4:35-41

- Given that Peter, James, John and Andrew were Jews with knowledge of the Old Testament, what connection might they have made between verses 23-32 of Psalm 107 and their experience on the Sea of Galilee?

- How might this experience have broadened their understanding of who Jesus was?

III. Read Romans 8:31-39

- What foundational truth for the person experiencing life's troubles is found in verse 31?
- What is the primary evidence that God will not abandon you in the midst of trouble? (verse 32)
- If Peter, James, John or Andrew had written verse 35, what other "threat" would they have mentioned?
- What promises do verses 38-39 make about being protected from things like death, attacks from demons, etc.
- If we are not promised freedom from those things, what are we promised? (verse 39b)