

WEEK 1 // WINDS & WAVES CAMPUS PASTORS

Jesus is savage .

Savage: crazy, fearless, courageous, risky, bold.

Our vision of Jesus shapes our faith.

"'Aslan is a lion- the Lion, the great Lion.' 'Ooh' said Susan. 'I'd thought he was a man. Is he-quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion'... 'Safe?' said Mr Beaver... 'Who said anything about safe? Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you.'" – C.S. Lewis

"The safe god has no power to console us in grief or shake us from complacency or rescue us from the pit. He just putters in his garden, smiles benignly, waves now and then, and mostly spends a lot of time in his room doing puzzles." Mark Buchanan

Then Jesus got into the boat and started across the lake with his disciples. Suddenly, a fierce storm struck the lake, with waves breaking into the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. The disciples went and woke him up, shouting, "Lord, save us! We're going to **drown**!" Jesus responded, "Why are you afraid? You have so little faith!" Then he got up and rebuked the wind and waves, and suddenly there was a great calm. The disciples were amazed. "Who is this man?" they asked. "Even the winds and waves obey him!" *Matthew* 8:23-27.

You will have a <u>storm</u>.

It will feel like you are <u>drowning</u>.

Christ is the **visible** image of the **invisible** God. He existed before anything was created and is **supreme over all creation**, for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. He existed before anything else, and **he holds all creation together**. *Colossians* 1:15-17 What would happen if we recognized that the creator and sustainer was in the boat?

It destroys your fear .

How do we practically do that?

<u>Go</u> to Jesus.

Will you go to Jesus in your storm?

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Full list of events and registration is available at eclife.org's EVENTS page

Easter Services

Emmanuel will be holding special service times on Easter weekend. Use these additional service times as an opportunity to invite those you are *relentlessly pursuing* this Easter.

Greenwood Campus

Saturday, April 20: 2:00pm, 4:00pm, & 6:00pm Sunday, April 21: 9:00am & 11:00am

Baptism

Registration is open for our next Baptism services. Baptism is a public acknowledgment of our faith in Jesus Christ, as well as declaration of our intent to follow Him in every area of our lives. If you have never been baptized after coming to Christ, this may be your next step!

When: April 20 & 21 (Easter weekend) <u>Registration Deadline:</u> April 11 *Registration is required

Empowered to Connect

A two-day conference simulcast providing practical teaching in a way to equip families, churches, and professionals to better serve children impacted by adoption and foster care.

When: April 5-6, 10:00am-6:00pm

Where: Banta Campus

*Registration is required

Summer Camps

Your student's life-changing summer starts here! Emmanuel offers three camp environments for students K-12. Camp is an opportunity for students to build friendships and deepen their relationship with God.

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