

November 7, 2005 – Who's In Charge

Praise the Lord and good morning,
The Lord captured my attention last weekend with several scriptures but this is the one I'll share with you today. I was sitting in the parking lot at my husband's job waiting for him to come out...and actually I was early but I enjoy reading while I wait for him. I was reading my bible when I saw this verse and I was lifted by its meaning to me.....it says the Lord on high is mightier than the mighty waves of the sea.....Did you get it? The waves of the sea....during this year we've seen the devastation mighty waves can bring to a country.....but what took root in my heart was the fact that God, the one we serve, MADE the mighty waves.....they are controlled by God.....as powerful as the waves are, they are under the direction of God! So what does that mean to us on a Monday morning on November 7th....everything! It means that all that happens is orchestrated by God!! That is comforting....even in the bad we must remember God either allowed it or caused it and in ALL of it He has a purpose for it.....He's controlling it all.

Okay, I can't wait so I'll share another scripture that enlightened me....Psalms 47:8 says, "**God reigneth over the heathen:** God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness." Again, I point out that He rules it all!! Maybe it's just me....but these scriptures put a lot into perspective.....everyone goes through ups and downs, but God controls the ups and downs.....He reigns over everything and everybody...even the heathen.....like we talked about a few days ago about how satan had to get permission from God to attack Job.....that means satan's being ruled by God. *satan has no power to do anything without getting permission first!!* That's the magnitude of the God we serve! The devil can only do what GOD allows him to do....so, if there's trouble going on, GOD said, "okay, devil I'm allowing you to do this but you can't go beyond ME!!" the devil then comes to us and tells us a lie saying he's going to destroy us, our family, our life....he says give up, God has forsaken you because if He loved you, He wouldn't let *any bad thing happen to you*. BUT people of the Most High God.....listen, listen, listen.....remember the devil is the father of lies...he knows why GOD SAID GO AHEAD BUT THEY'RE STILL MY CHILDREN AND YOU CAN'T KILL THEM.....why because GOD IS IN FULL CONTROL!! It doesn't have to look like GOD IS running the show.....HE IS THE SHOW!! Okay, okay....I'll slow down...but this is so encouraging....so the next time you see somebody stepping out and doing wrong, remember GOD Sees and HE is Still In Charge.....the devil can't destroy God's purpose...the devil is not stronger than GOD. God who created the sea and controls the sea (check out Psalms 89:9 below) is the same one that controls the mighty waves that come crashing through our lives....He Yet Reigns over it all....and He is Mightier than the waves!!! Because He's in Charge!

Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them.
(Psalms 89:9 KJV)

The LORD on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea. Psalms 93:4 (KJV)