



Reflection—Discussion—Prayer

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MESSAGE: Snow Days

Date: 12/14/2025

SERIES: Winter Storm

COMMUNICATOR: Pastor Kevin Geer

CHECK-IN & SHARE WINS: What was one highlight from your week? Where have you seen Jesus at work—in your life or in the world around you? *Celebrating wins helps fuel God's mission and inspire others to join in.*

WORDS THAT IGNITE: Don't Be Afraid

- The Greek word: μή φοβοῦ (*may fo-BOO*). Stop being afraid," "Do not fear," or "Do not be terrified.
 - Here is why: God is breaking into your storm with His peace; do you trust Him?
 - **How will you put this word into action and let it ignite your life this week?**
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THINK, DISCUSS, LIVE: These questions are great for personal reflection, group discussion, or both. They're meant to help you grow in your faith, deepen your connection with your Jesus friends, and live it out in the world around you.

1. If you were given a 'snow day'—whether from school, work, or just taking a day off—how would you choose to enjoy it?
2. The Christmas story was anything but silent—stress, rumors, exhausting travel, no room at the inn, and a baby born in a manger. How does remembering the chaos surrounding Jesus' birth help you find hope, peace, and perspective in your own not-so-silent Christmas seasons?
3. Read and reflect on Luke 1:37: '*Nothing is impossible with God.*' What would it look like for you to face your current storm with that kind of trust—believing that nothing about your situation is too difficult for God to handle?
4. Read Luke 1:38. Mary's response is simple but courageous: "*I am the Lord's servant.*" Where do you struggle most to say that to God when the circumstances feel overwhelming or uncertain...or the storm hasn't passed?
5. Storms feel more real when we name them—grief, addiction, loneliness, conflict, divorce, illness. If you're comfortable, what "storm name" would you give to something you're currently facing? How has that storm challenged your life perspective?
6. Psalm 46:1 says God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in trouble. Based on that truth, what practical advice would you give someone walking through a tough season right now?
7. Read James 1:2–3. James says trials are an opportunity for joy because they grow endurance. Looking back, how has a past storm strengthened you or deepened your roots in ways you didn't see at the time?



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8. Our storms often equip us to encourage and empower others. Who in your life might benefit from hearing your storm story? How could God use your experience to comfort, guide, or strengthen someone else?
 9. What is one practical way you can choose hope—like Mary did—the next time you find yourself in a storm?
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PRAYER OPTIONS:

- **Prayer Partnership:** What's on your heart that we can partner with you and bring it to the Lord?
 - **1 & 1:** One thing to celebrate, one thing to bring to God.
 - **Praise Sentences:** Short prayers thanking God, then pray for shared needs.
 - **Prayer Clusters:** Groups of 2–3, share requests, pray together, and encourage each other during the week.
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