On Your Mark "Break on Through to the Other Side" Lesson 4—On Your Mark Mark 4:35-5:20

Please listen to Episode 4 of "On Your Mark."

Read together MARK 4:35-5:20

Discussion Questions (pick 1-2 to spend more time with):

- 1. Have you ever found yourself in a difficult circumstance and responding the way the disciples did in verse 38? What was the circumstance (if you'd like to share)?
- 2. Do you trust that Jesus loves you and cares for you even as He allows you to endure the storms of life? If not, why not? If so, how is that helpful to you and how do you exhibit that kind of faith in difficult times?
- 3. How can you use this story to encourage or support someone who is in a stormy season and needs peace?
- 4. The story of the mad-man who became a missionary (Mark 5:1-20) includes many things that to the Jews were unclean (Gentles, demons, pigs, graveyards). Yet, Jesus doesn't run the other way and is the only advocate this man has. What lessons can we draw from Jesus' actions?
- 5. Does the destruction of the herd of pigs give you pause? Why or why not?
- 6. Spend some time encouraging one another by sharing, what "The Lord has done for you."
- 7. In Mark 3:5, Jesus looked at the religious leaders "in anger and, deeply distressed at their stubborn hearts." A critical outlook may be a symptom of a hard heart. How do you keep your heart from hardening?

8.	Who do you need to show mercy to in your life/world?