

***“Power Over Nature”***  
***Matthew 8:23-27***

At Creation God ordained man to be king of the earth (Ge. 1:26).

- After the Fall man lost his SOVEREIGNTY over the earth.
- The control of earth fell to SATAN.

Before the beginning God planned the REDEMPTION of man.

- God's Son would come to earth TWICE in God's plan.
- The greater man's achievements the more SEVERE the complications.
- Man cannot solve his MORAL and spiritual problems.

- ❖ Man has the power to DESTROY his world, but not the POWER to perfect it. (Ps. 62:11; 63:1-2; 65:6; 79:11; Ro. 1:20)

How many atoms in a teaspoon of water? \_\_\_\_\_ (28 numerals)

The miracles were a preview of KINGDOM power.

- There will be no DEMONIC activity;
- There will be no DEATH.

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Four categories of disciples then – and now.

- 1) The CURIOUS
  - Fascinated but not SURRENDERED
- 2) The INTELLECTUALLY Convinced
  - Convinced but not COMMITTED
- 3) The SECRET Believers
  - Waiting to declare ALLEGIANCE
- 4) The True Believers
  - PUBLICLY & PRIVATELY committed to Jesus Christ

**CONCLUSION:**

Here's Hope!

*Let the storms come;  
Winds howl; waves overwhelm –  
Christ the Creator is in the boat!*