

Lesson 9: Learning During Storms or Stillness

Thomas Carlyle

Silence is the element in which great things fashion themselves together.

Ralph H. Blum

There is a calmness to a life lived in gratitude, a quiet joy.

James Allen

The more tranquil a man becomes, the greater is his success, his influence, his power for good. Calmness of mind is one of the beautiful jewels of wisdom.

Thomas Jefferson

Nothing gives a person so much advantage over another as to remain always cool and unruffled under all circumstances.

Psalm 46

Psa. 46:10 Be still, and know that I *am* God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

Psa. 46:10 “Stop [your fighting]—and know that I am God, exalted among the nations, exalted on the earth.” (HCSB)

Ex. 14:13 And Moses said to the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever.

1Sam. 12:7 Now therefore, stand still, that I may reason with you before the LORD concerning all the righteous acts of the LORD which He did to you and your fathers:

Heb. 5:8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.

Verses 8-11-It is unbelievable to the human mind what God is capable of doing.

It is also unbelievable to the human mind how God does so easily what He does. He can make wars cease and He can make desolation come.

With the thought that God is so great, be still and know that He is God.

- We need to be still and see God working instead of working so much to see what we want to happen that we do not hear God.
- **Verse 10.** *Be still*, and know that I am God.
- This text of Scripture forbids quarrelling and murmuring against God.
- Murmuring of the children of Israel cost them very dear. Be still, that is, beware of murmuring against the Lord.

I Am God.

- 1 In that he is God, he is an absolutely and infinitely perfect being.
- 2 As he is God, he is so great, that he is infinitely above all comprehension.
- 3 As he is God, all things are his own.
- 4 In that he is God, he is worthy to be sovereign over all things.
- 5 In that he is God, he will be sovereign, and will act as such.
- 6 In that he is God, he is able to avenge himself on those who oppose his sovereignty.

Jonathan Edwards.