“What Manner of Man Is This . . . ?”
Matt. 8:23-27

Introduction:
A. The occasion for this question – had just seen Jesus stop a storm!
   1. Knew he was extraordinary.
   2. Did they know yet how extraordinary?
B. What do we really know of Him whose name we wear?
   1. Homer Hailey’s remark to a young preacher.
   2. Do we know more of the plan than the man? Vice-versa?
C. He is the man that must be preached (1 Cor. 2:2)
   1. His position to prove He is worthy of our faith. (John 30:30-31)
   2. His life to show us a pattern to follow. (1 Pet. 2:21)
   3. His doctrine to be preached and obeyed. (2 John 9).
D. Jesus had three traits that help us understand the answer to the disciples’ question:

Discussion:
I. A Man Of Sorrows (Isa. 53:3)
   A. He knew poverty (Matt. 8:19-20).
   B. He knew rejection (Isa. 53:3; John 1:11)
      1. From his own race – Jews (John 1:11; 7:1).
      2. From his own brothers (John 7:5; cf. Acts 1:14)
      4. From some of his own followers (John 6:66-67).
   C. He knew pain, suffering and death.
      1. He touched by it in others. (John 11:33-38)
   D. He endured in all for us!

II. A Man Of Balanced Character
   A. A man of compassion and firmness
      1. Compassion – (Matt. 14:14; His advent, life, and death)
      2. Firmness – (Matt. 23; money changers, etc.)
   B. A man of authority and humility (cf. Heb. 5:8,9; Phil. 2:1-11)
   C. A man of narrow and broad mindedness.
      1. Narrow – (Matt. 7:13,14; John 14:6).
      2. Broad - (Matt. 28:19; Mark 16:15)
   D. A man of strictness and looseness.
      1. More strict that Pharisees in some things (Matt 5:17-20).
      2. Less strict than Pharisees in other things – human tradition.

III. A Man Approved Of God (Acts 2:22)
   A. Demonstrated by miracles (cf. John 20:20,21)
   B. Demonstrated by prophecy. (Acts 2:25-35; 8:32,33)
   C. Demonstrated by exaltation. (Acts 2:33)
      1. To High priesthood. (Heb. 7:17).
      2. To King / Head (Rev. 19:16; Eph. 1:22-23)
      3. To judge. (Acts 17:31)

Conclusion:
A. This man can not only stop a storm.
B. This man can save your soul and take you to heaven.