

The Laity Minute by Kelly Price

Last month, I was lucky enough to take some vacation time. Andy had not had a vacation in over two years, therefore we decided it was time. So, we headed for the beach. I will disclose right now that I am not a beach girl. I'm not much for heat, humidity, or seafood. I don't need any more wrinkles, so I generally stay out of the sun, as well. A tan was good when I was 25. Not now.

But, even through all the things I don't love about the beach, there is just something about the ocean which is mesmerizing. One evening while we were taking a short walk on the beach, a fairly strong storm was brewing over the water. The sky became almost black and the ocean was angry. It was tossing and turning like it was ready to fight. It was a little scary to even look at it. One realizes just how small they are when compared to the vastness of an ocean in turmoil. You realize the world is bigger than you.

The storms of our lives can certainly humble us and put us in our place really quick. We can feel small or insignificant. We can feel like the world is against us. We may feel scared. No matter how hard we fight the storm, we know it may easily overtake us. It's just too big.



But, just like the ocean that evening, calm eventually came. The clouds dispersed and the winds calmed. The sunshine appeared. The waves softened.

When you experience your next storm, take solace that the calm will come. God will take care of you.



Peace,

Greg