

~~THE SECOND MEETING~~

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ALL STAFF MEETING

- Q1 REVIEW
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ALIGNMENT
+
EXECUTION



The First Meeting



The Second Meeting

Not incompetence.

Insecurity.

Poor execution of
good intentions:

Delayed honesty

“No-gossip” policy

Genesis 1

³¹ God saw all that he had made, and it ***was very good.***

Genesis 3

⁵ “For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you **will be** like God...”

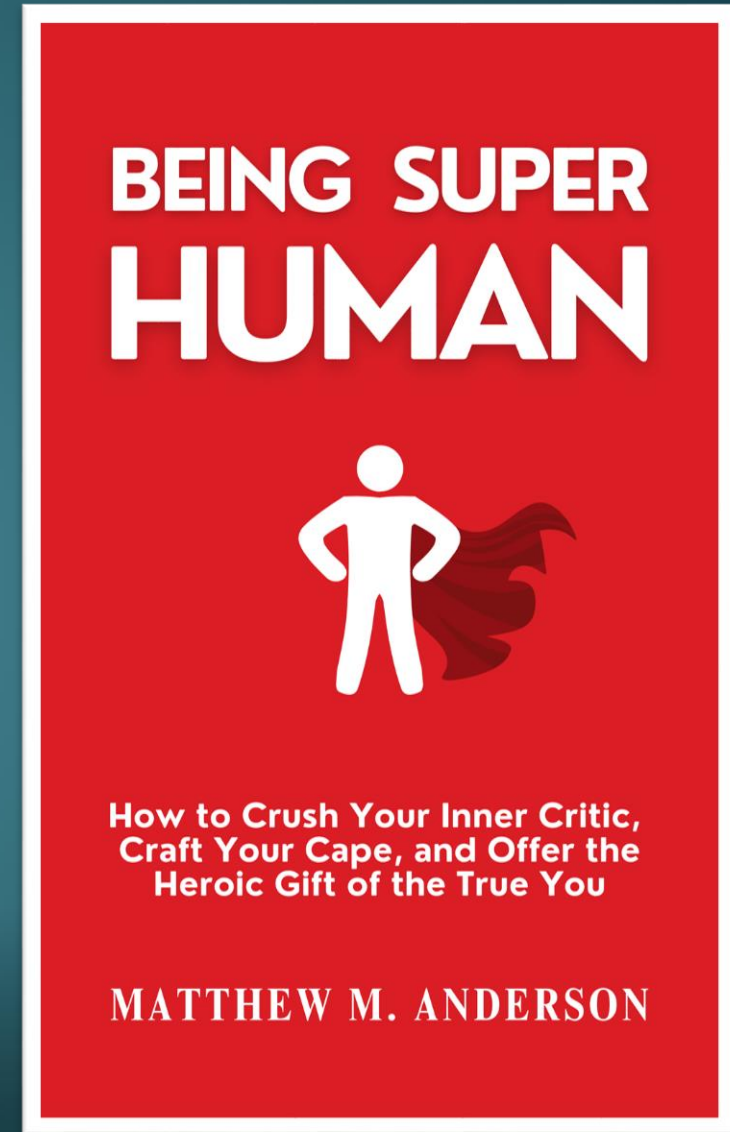
very good



not good enough

Need external accomplishment
for internal worth

The Inner Critic



Genesis 3

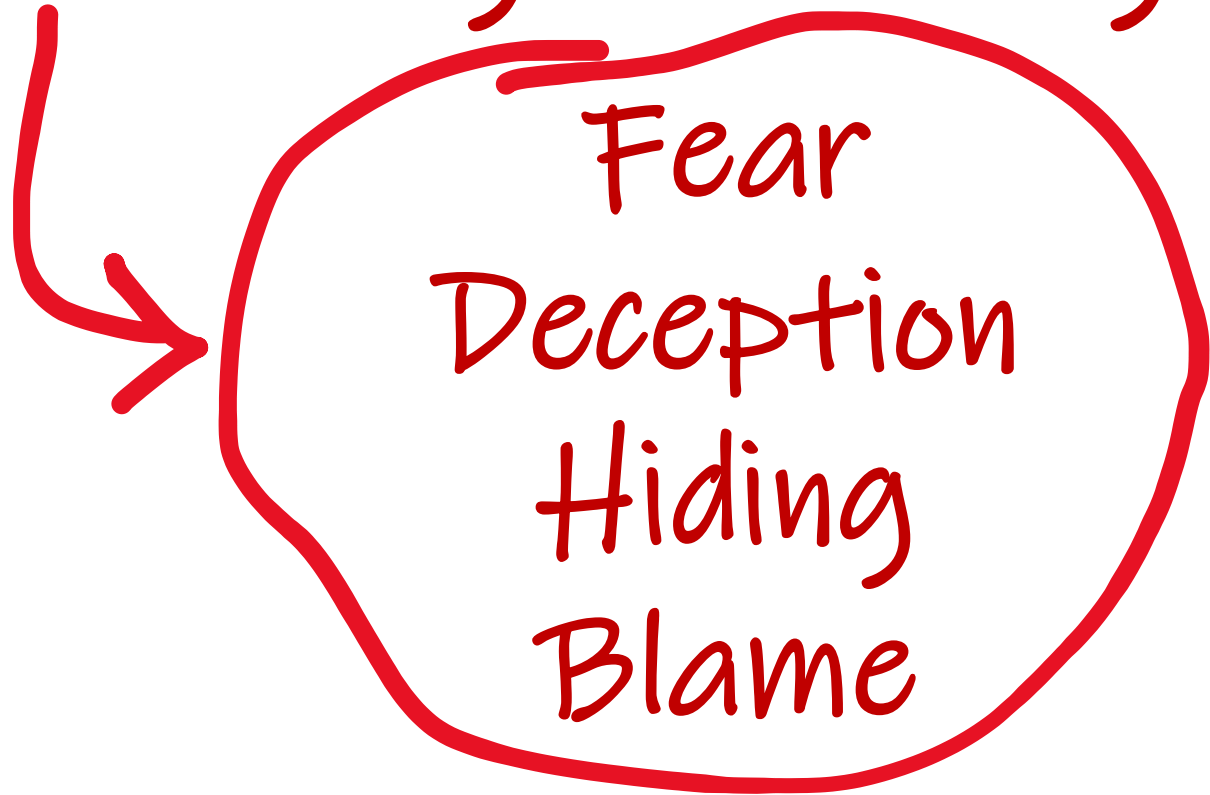
⁹ But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”

¹⁰ He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and I was **afraid** because I was **naked**; so I **hid**.”

¹¹ And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?”

¹² The man said, “**The woman you put here** with me—she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”

Not good enough



**Watch
Jesus**

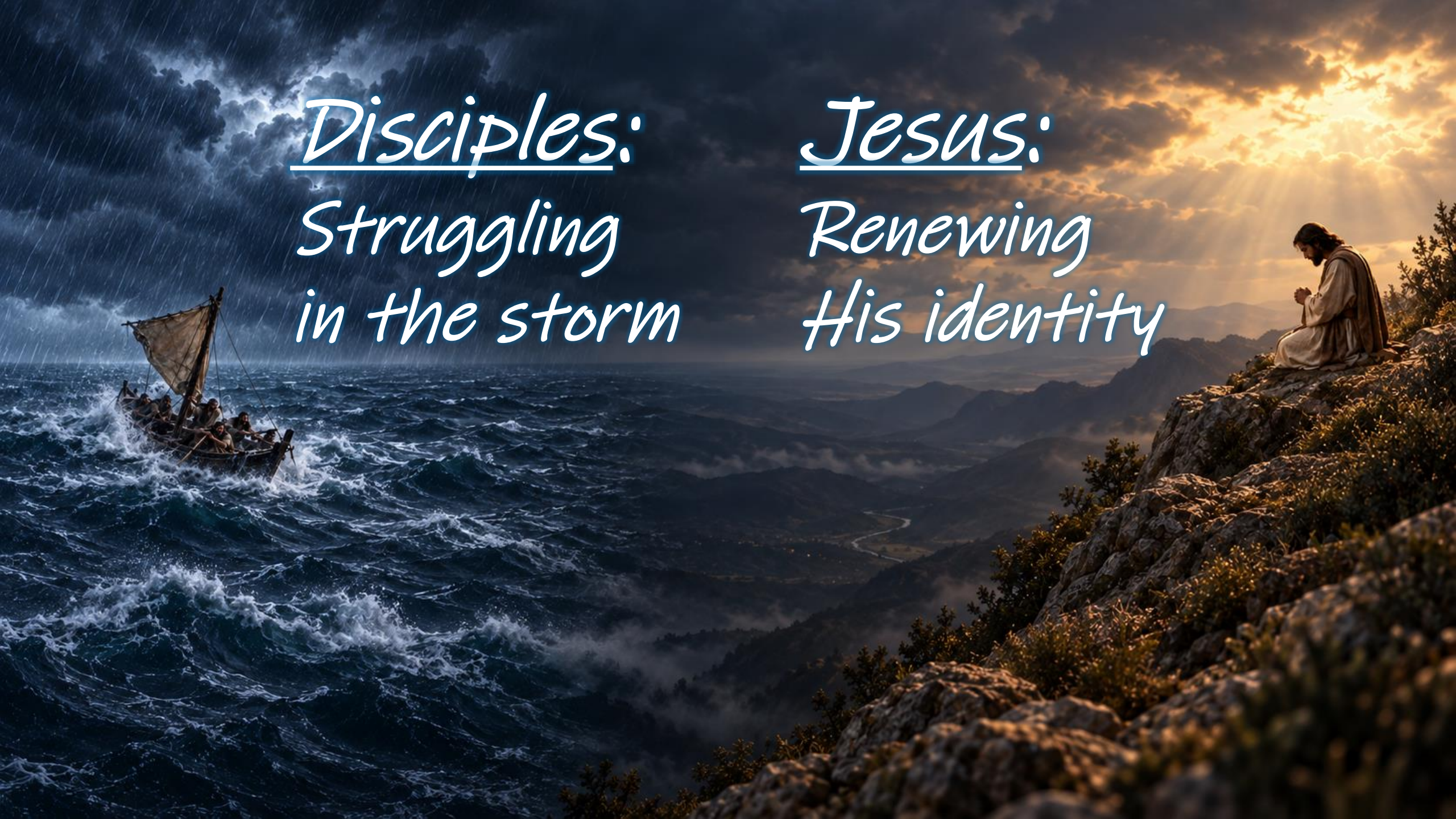
Matthew 14

²² Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. ²³ After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside **by himself to pray**. Later that night, he was there alone, ²⁴ and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.



Disciples:
Struggling
in the storm

Jesus:
Renewing
His identity



Matthew 14

²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them...

A dramatic scene depicting Jesus Christ sitting on a rocky cliff, praying with his hands clasped. He is silhouetted against a bright, golden sunset or sunrise, with rays of light shining through the clouds. In the foreground, the rugged, rocky terrain of the cliff is visible. In the background, a turbulent sea with dark, churning waves and white foam is under a heavy, dark sky with rain falling. A small boat with a single sail is struggling in the stormy waters. The overall atmosphere is one of divine presence amidst a powerful natural storm.

All night long!

Matthew 14

²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were **terrified**. “It’s a ghost,” they said, and **cried out in fear**.

²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: “Take courage! It is I. **Don’t be afraid.**”







**Terrified
Delusional
Panicking**

**Confident
Calm
Encouraging**



How normal
people become
"storm-proof"

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God's invitation:

Practice!

Matthew 14

²⁸ “Lord, if it’s you,” Peter replied, “tell me to come to you on the water.”

²⁹ “Come,” he said.

Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, “Lord, save me!”

³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. “You of little faith,” he said, “why did you doubt?”

Matthew 14

³² And *when they climbed into the boat*, the wind died down.

Becoming *Storm-proof*

1. Notice the Second Meeting in my head

- *Look at that scary wave?*
- *What am I going to say?*
- *How can I look smart?*
- *What if they reject my idea?*
- *How am I going to explain failure?*

= I'm no longer present in the first meeting.

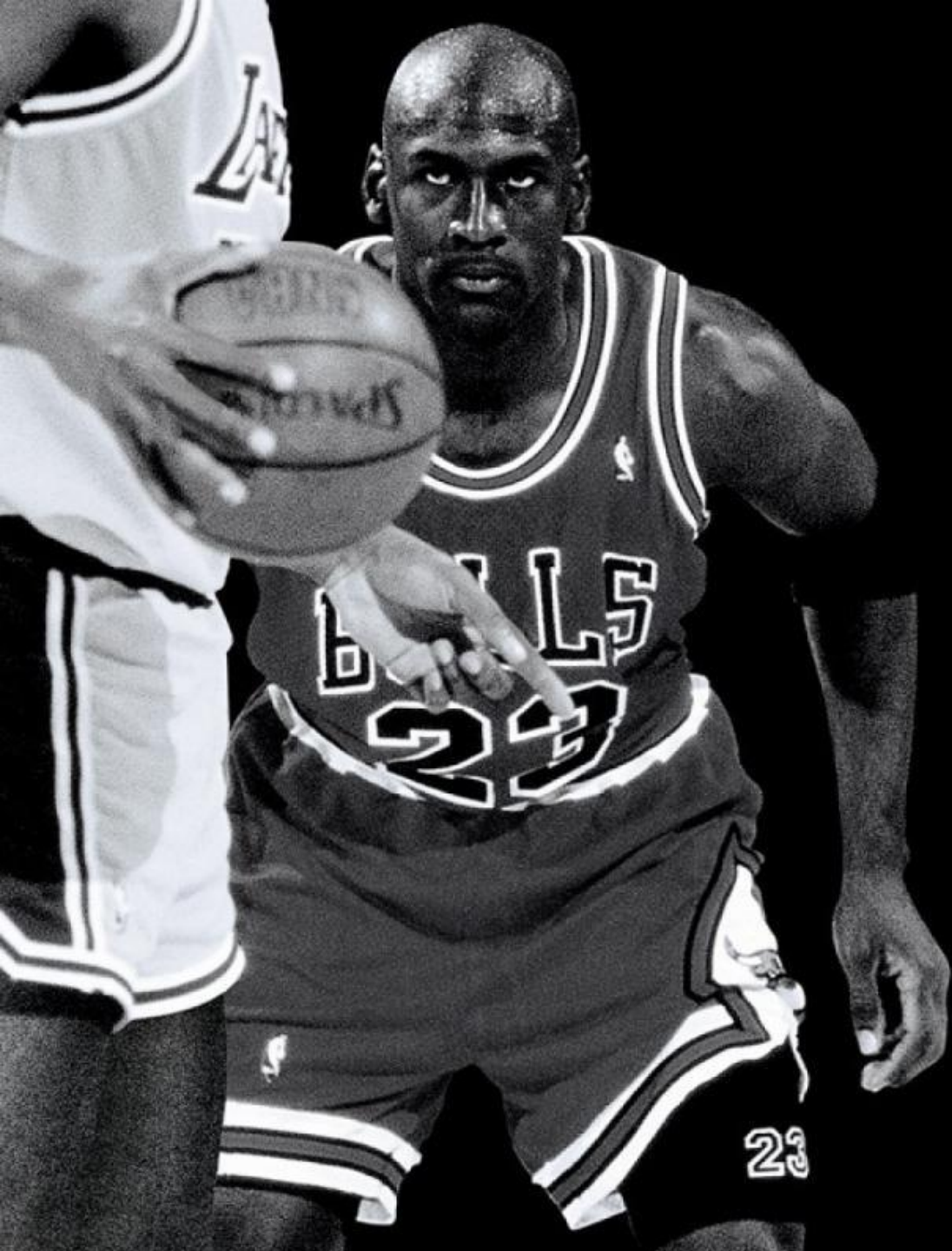
Becoming *Storm-proof*

2. Prioritize “identity habits”

Find tips in the *Contribution Toolbox*

3. Personify the lie





**Why would I think about missing a
shot I haven't taken yet?**

-Michael Jordan

*The
hiring
committee*

**When you're grounded in the
moment, you're not obsessed
with the outcome.**

That's the calm in the storm.



Nothing to Lose

**But sometimes the stakes
are very high.**

There's a lot to lose!

Dry mouth

Nothing to Gain



Non-Desperation

When my identity is intact,
I don't *need* things to go well,
and I don't fear failure.

I'm present, confident, contributing, and
more likely to succeed.

Showing up for the
FIRST meeting

Storm-proof Leaders:

- Don't *need* success or approval.
- Ask for help.
- Ask questions.
- Admit mistakes & limits.
- Create healthy tension.

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HUMAN**

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Bigger than work.

We don't calm storms.

He calms them in us.

A dramatic, high-contrast image. On the right, Jesus is shown in profile, kneeling on a rocky cliff edge, looking down in prayer. He is wearing a simple brown robe. The cliff is rugged and covered with some greenery. In the background, a vast valley with a winding river is visible under a sunset sky with golden light and scattered clouds. On the left, a small wooden boat with a single sail is caught in a violent storm. The sea is dark blue with white-capped waves crashing against the boat. The sky above the boat is dark and filled with heavy rain falling diagonally across the frame. The overall mood is one of divine presence amidst chaos and adversity.

**Ready for the
next storm?**



**You have nothing to lose
except the 2nd meeting.**