CAPTURING THE SEA

Standing behind her tri-pod with her camera fixed on top; slightly hunched she looked through the lens attempting to catch a wave in the midst of its final crash. That’s a big task to capture a wave. The wave could much easier have overtaken and caught her. Of course catching them on camera and catching them literally is a little different. Men think they have mastered the sea because they have built boats and ships to maneuver the waters and go anywhere they want. One only has to take one step outside ship into the deep blue sea to know he is no longer master. The ocean still rules. We might try to capture the sound of the ocean but we have only the means to capture a small portion of the sound at one time.

What if one were to attempt to capture the volume of the ocean? What container would he use? We might capture a bucket full at a time, but we can’t capture the sea. There is one who can. According to Job 26:8 “He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds.” Job 26:10 “He hath compassed the waters with bounds until the day and night come to an end.” Again, in Job 26:12 “He divideth the sea with his power.” He divided it to make the earth and the sky. He divided it again to bring the earth to surface. In a much smaller way he divided it to free the children of Israel. Jesus walked on it to get to his disciples. He spoke and calmed waves of the sea in order to calm his disciple’s fears. There is only one “who can shut up the sea with doors when it brakes forth, as if it had issued out of the womb.” Job 38:8. God is aware of its springs and knows its very depths. “He maketh the deep to boil like a pot, he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.” Job 41:31. Our God is the only one who has captured the sea. “He gathered the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in store houses.” Psalm 33:7.

“The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, they were afraid: the depths also were troubled.” Psalm 77:16. “Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves there of arise thou stillest them.” Psalm 89:9. Surely God can capture the sea for he made it. “The sea is his and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.” Psalm 95:5. Wow! Lord if you have and can capture the sea, then surely you have everything it takes to solve my problems and keep me from danger. Amen.

Yours in Christ,

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