

Prayer for Protection in a Time of Storm or Danger

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**Almighty God, and creator of all,
like the disciples who were caught in their tiny boat
in the midst of a mighty storm,
we come together to seek Your help.
We are fearful as we are surrounded by danger.
We feel helpless and small
before the great power of this perilous time,
a power which is beyond our control.
While everything seems dark and dangerous,
we place our trust in You, our Lord and God.
Sheltered here in this hospital,
we are also shielded by Your love
against all that might harm us.
We know that You hear all prayers
so we now, filled with confidence,
lift up our petitions to You, our God.**

pause for silent prayer

**Lord, we fear for our homes, for our lives and for all we hold dear.
Your sacred blessing is upon this hospital and the entire city of Tampa
and upon each of us as well.
We are secure in the power of that blessing.
May the saving power of the Cross of Your Son, Jesus,
encircle us and all our pets.**

Protect our patients, their families, and our team members.

**Repel all evil from this dwelling.
Reduce and lessen the destructive power of this hurricane in the entire state of Florida.**

**As you rebuked the wind and calmed the storm battling with your disciples on the sea, may
you calm this hurricane, Irma that is battling with us right now.**

**May Your Divine Presence fill our dwellings
in the midst of this danger.**

**Almighty God who never sleeps nor slumbers,
be with us during this time of danger. Amen.**