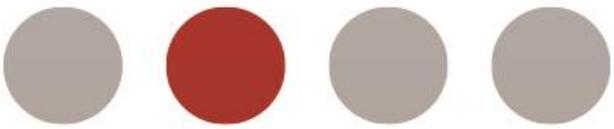




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Little Stories.
Big Faith.

Beginning June 9th



It's Time



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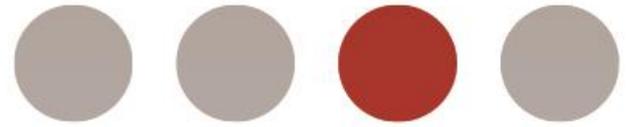
Mark 1:34

³⁴ And he healed many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons. And he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.



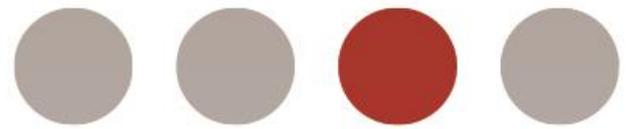
Mark 1:42-44

⁴² And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. ⁴³ And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once, ⁴⁴ and said to him, “**See that you say nothing to anyone**, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, for a proof to them.”



Mark 3:11-12

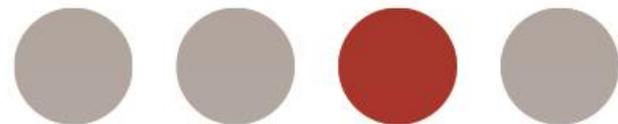
¹¹ And whenever the unclean spirits saw him, they fell down before him and cried out, “You are the Son of God.”¹² And he strictly ordered them not to make him known.



Mark 5:42-43

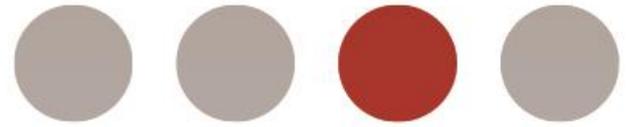
⁴² And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.

⁴³ And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.



Mark 7:33-36

³³ And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. ³⁴ And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ And Jesus **charged them to tell no one.** But the more he charged them, the more zealously they proclaimed it.



Mark 8:29-30

²⁹ And he asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Christ.”

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Mark 11:1-11

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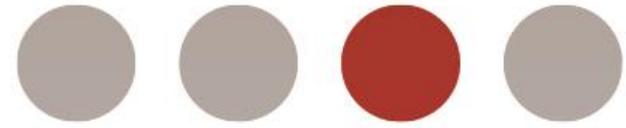
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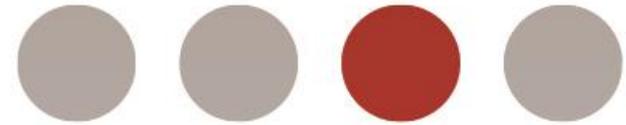
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Zechariah 9:9

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.



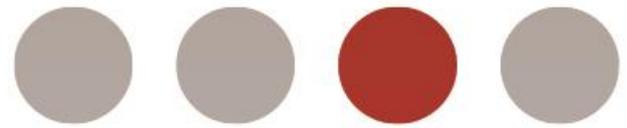
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Mark 10:46

⁴⁶ And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside.



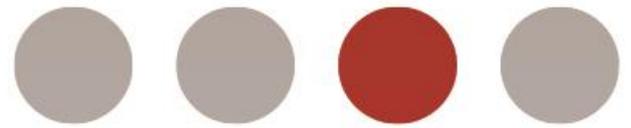
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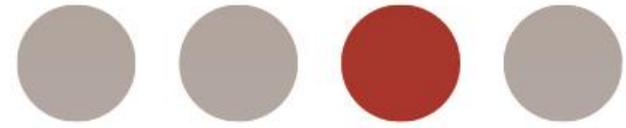
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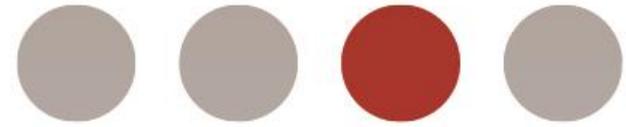


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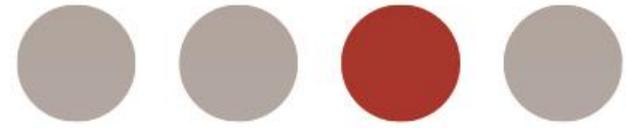
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 - **Human relational fulfillment**



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Mark 2:4-5

⁴ And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay.⁵ And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”



Mark 10:45

⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but **to serve**, and **to give his life as a ransom** for many.”



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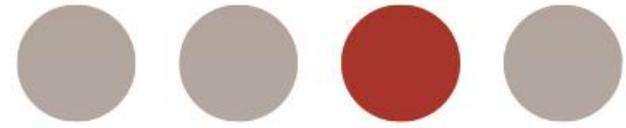
Revelation 19:11-16

¹¹ Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. ¹² His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. ¹³ He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. ¹⁴ And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.



Revelation 19:11-16

¹⁵ From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, **King of kings and Lord of lords.**



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- **Too many people still need to be introduced to Jesus.**