

## Digging Deeper During the Week!

Simply and profoundly amazing! That should be the attitude that carries us throughout our life journey, each and every day. God has forgiven us and healed our souls. *How we respond indicates our true gratitude!*

**Monday**      **Amazed Enough to Follow Jesus!**  
25-Feb      Matthew 4.23-25

Why do you follow Jesus? With what passion do you follow Him? In today's reading we discover these two answers are connected to His work of teaching, preaching and healing in our lives!

- Jesus focused on three main activities in ministry, according to this passage (23). What were they? When Jesus brought life-change to people's lives, things radically changed! List some of the changes Jesus brought to the people mentioned in today's account.
- What changes has Jesus brought to your life? How have they caused your passion to motivate you to follow Jesus?

**Tuesday**      **Amazed at God's Forgiveness!**  
26-Feb      Matthew 9.1-8

Forgiveness is one of the greatest gifts we can receive or give. When Jesus gave forgiveness to the paralyzed man for his moral and spiritual failures, people reacted. We can see He is God from this passage!

- Jesus forgives moral and spiritual failure! While some learned 'religious' people may debate this, Jesus proved he is able to. So the question is, how amazed are you by the forgiving power of Jesus?
- While others may not understand it, what changes have you seen in your life since Jesus brought the healing power of forgiveness to your heart and soul? How have you shared these with others?

**Wednesday**      **Amazed Enough to Seek Jesus!**  
27-Feb      Luke 8.43-48

When your personal problem is too great and no human being can solve it, the only recourse is to seek out Jesus, as this woman in our reading today did. We learn some valuable lessons from her encounter ...

- After all her resources were depleted she came to Jesus. How often do you do this? Why do you wait? Is Jesus any less able to help you when you have money or ability? What causes us to delay in seeking Jesus miraculous help in our lives?

- Jesus tells this woman that the reason for her healing was her faith. Faith – even when it is late and last used – is enough to receive healing and help from Jesus. What do you need to take to Jesus right now and ask Him to heal or solve? Why wait? Do it now!

**Thursday**      **Amazed at Jesus' Willingness!**  
28-Feb      Matthew 14.34-36

All too often it is our own disbelief that withholds Jesus' hand of hope and healing upon our lives. This account shows what will happen when we but ask Jesus to bring his power into our situation!

- What is the attitude of the people of Gennesaret concerning Jesus? What did they do to receive the healing of Jesus?
- What does this tell you should be your attitude and action when it comes to your need?

**Friday**      **Amazed at the Changes!**  
29-Feb      Matthew 15.29-31

Jesus so desires to bring life change – to terminate the causes of the pain of your past and bring fresh life to you now.

- The text simply says the people came and Jesus healed them. What do you need Jesus to do for you today?
- When Jesus brings life-change, it is visible and immediate – no progressive 'some-day' healing or change! What life-change do you need the immediate, complete power of Jesus to solve?

**Saturday**      **Amazed at the Boldness!**  
30-Feb      Acts 4.13-22

When Jesus changes our lives, we reassess the priorities and powers in our lives. Peter and John had been with Jesus, knew him to be God. In this account we discover the boldness that comes from such knowledge.

- Being with Jesus indicates that he has forgiven your failures and trusted in your friendship. Real life change has come. The result of these (and many more) experiences is boldness. How has your life reflected the boldness of Jesus as you live with Jesus?
- No matter who tries to silence you and your witness, James and John shows us that we should obey the one who forgives us completely and eternally. What transforming courage do you possess as a result of Jesus' life-changing work in your life?

*"I am focusing all my energies on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead." Philippians 3:13 (NLT)*

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