

Deepening Our Faith

Journey

Week #19: January 17, 2016

This week's daily readings:

Sunday, Mark 2: 1-12. I imagine myself as the man on the mat. What is paralyzing me? I picture Jesus saying, Stand, take up your mat and walk.

Monday, Mark 2:13-17. Jesus calls as a disciple Levi, a man who was hated by many, and then eats with his friends. I pray for those who are on the outside edges of our society. How can I reach out to someone on the edges in the name of Jesus?

Tuesday, Mark 2:18-28. Jesus says that the new wine of the kingdom needs to go into new wineskins. I pray for new methods of outreach and ministry that the Spirit can use to expand the kingdom of God.

Wednesday, Mark 4:1-9, 13-20. I pray for ways to throw the seed of the good news of Jesus into the good soil of my relationships, through word and action.

Thursday, Mark 4:21-25. Jesus says you get back the amount that you give out. In what area can I give more generously this week? Encouragement? Peace-making? Financial giving? Volunteering?

Friday, Mark 4:35-41. I imagine Jesus in the boat with me as I undergo the storms of my life. What is Jesus saying to me?

Saturday, Psalm 103:1-3, 23-32. I pray for those who live their lives in dangerous contexts.

As I listen for God's voice in each of these readings, what is God asking me to do, change or become?