

THINGS JESUS NEVER SAID

"I Only Help Those Who Help Themselves"

Mark 10:46-52 March 9, 2025

What Jesus Never Said...

- ✓ You need to just get your act together, suck it up and move on
- ✓ You need to pull yourself up by your own bootstraps and depend on no one. Self-reliance is the key to having success
- ✓ I'll help you as soon as you figure out how to start getting out of the mess you got yourself in
- ✓ I help those who are independent, who have it all together and don't bother Me too much.
- ✓ I help those who are in a major crisis, not minor ones
- ✓ I help those who first help themselves

What Did Jesus Really Say...

- I help those who cannot help themselves Matthew 9:11-13; Isaiah 25:4
- Come to me all who are <u>weary</u> & <u>burdened</u> Matthew 11:28-30
- Without me, you are lost and have no hope Romans 5:6
- I go after those who are lost Luke 15:1-10
- I will stop when you call out My name Mark 10:48-49
- I <u>love</u> you and you are honored & <u>precious</u> in my sight <u>Isaiah 43:1-4a</u>
- What do you <u>need</u> me to do for you? Mark 10:51
- Abide in me because apart from me you can do nothing John 15:5,7

What Do We Do?

- 1) We must choose to <u>abide</u> in Jesus every single day remembering we can do absolutely <u>nothing</u> without Him
- 2) We must swallow our <u>pride</u>, <u>admit</u> we need help and simply <u>ask</u> (cry out to) Jesus
- 3) We must listen for His voice and when He calls our name we leave the past, hurt, pain, brokenness and shame behind and run to Him
- 4) Today, we must not miss the moment when Jesus passes by
- 5) We must allow Him to <u>transform</u> us and be willing to follow Him 2 Corinthians 5:17