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JESUS WANTS TO HELP

Mark 1:29-34 (NIV)

29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. 30 Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. 31 So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. 32 That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. 33 The whole town gathered at the door, 34 and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.

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- Invite Jesus
- Trust Jesus
- Serve Jesus

INVITE JESUS

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- Invite Jesus to come home with you.
- Is Jesus just a houseguest or a resident in your home?

The prophet Elijah in the showdown on Mount Carmel

1 Kings 18:21 (NIV)

21 Elijah went before the people and said, "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him."

- An idol is anything that we look to for something only God can give.
- Idols always make promises they cannot keep.

Matthew 6:24(NLT)

24 No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money.

Jesus is Lord of all, or he isn't Lord at all.

1 Kings 18:26-29(NIV)

26 So they took the bull given them and prepared it. Then they called on the name of Baal from morning till noon. "Baal, answer us!" they shouted. But there was no response; no one answered. And they danced around the altar they had made. 27 At noon Elijah began to taunt them. "Shout louder!" he said. "Surely he is a god!

Perhaps he is deep in thought, or busy, or traveling. Maybe he is sleeping and must be awakened." 28 So they shouted louder and slashed themselves with swords and spears, as was their custom, until their blood flowed. 29 Midday passed, and they continued their frantic prophesying until the time for the evening sacrifice. But there was no response, no one answered, no one paid attention.

Invite Jesus to be Lord

TRUST JESUS

Mark 1:30 (NIV)

30 Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her

We often have a very small view of a very big God.

Philippians 4:6 (NLT)

6 Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done.

1 Kings 18:38-39 (NIV)

38 Then the fire of the Lord fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench. 39 When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, “The Lord—he is God! The Lord—he is God!”

What do you do when you find yourself in a drought?

Trust Him.

SERVE JESUS

Mark 1:31(NIV)

31 So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.

Saved people serve people.

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Will you invite Him?

Will you trust Him?

Will you serve Him?