

That's Crazy Week 8

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OLD SCHOOL CRAZY TODAY! BACKGROUND- ISREAL WANTED TO BE LIKE EVERYONE ELSE... AND THEY WERE ALL BAD!

By the word of the Lord one of the company of the prophets said to his companion, "Strike me with your weapon," but he refused. So the prophet said, "Because you have not obeyed the Lord, as soon as you leave me a lion will kill you." And after the man went away, a lion found him and killed him. 1st Kings 20:35-36 NIV.

The prophet found another man and said, "Strike me, please." So the man struck him and wounded him. 1 Kings 20:37 NIV

The prophet placed a bandage over his eyes to disguise himself and then waited beside the road for the king. As the king passed by, the prophet called out to him, 1Kings 20:38,39 NLT

THE PROPHET GOT THE KINGS ATTENTION AND TOLD HIM A STORY ABOUT A MAN GUARDING A PRISONER AND THE PRISONER GOT AWAY.

PAY A PRICE OR DIE

Then the prophet quickly pulled the bandage from his eyes, and the king of Israel recognized him as one of the prophets. 1 Kings 20:41 NLT

THE WOUNDS OF THE PROPHET GAVE AN AUDIENCE WITH THE KING! PROPHET CONFRONTED KING TRUTHS ABOUT WOUNDS

- 1. WE ALL HAVE WOUNDS
- 2. WOUNDS DON'T CANCEL OUR STORY
- 3. WOUNDS GIVE US AUTHORITY TO SHARE OUR STORY WITH OTHERS; YOU CHOOSE WHAT PART YOUR WOUNDS PLAY IN YOUR STORY

You intended to harm me, BUT GOD intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people. Gen. 50:20 NLT

Once you were dead because of your disobedience and your many sins. BUT GOD is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. Eph. 2:1, 4-5 NLT

BUT GOD put his love on the line for us by offering his Son in sacrificial death while we were of no use whatever to him. Romans 5:8 MSG

APOSTLE PAUL HE HAD IT ALL, INTELLECT, EDUCATION, AND HE SAID, YET, I DON'T GLORY IN ANY OF THAT, BUT HE SAID I GLORY IN MY INFIRMITIES, MY WOUNDS. BEATEN WITH RODS, STONED, BEATEN WITH A CAT OF NINE TAILS. HE

WAS TORTURED, SNAKE BITTEN, SHIPWRECKED. HE WAS WOUNDED, AND YET WHEN HE SAID, GOD, I WISH YOU WOULD TAKE ALL THIS PAIN AWAY, GOD SAID:

YOU MAY NEVER GET OVER IT, BUT YOU WILL GET THROUGH IT!

AS A MATTER OF FACT, HERE'S WHAT GOD SAID TO HIM: MY GRACE IS ENOUGH; IT'S ALL YOU NEED

MY STRENGTH COMES INTO ITS OWN IN YOUR WEAKNESS

Once I heard that, I was glad to let it happen. I quit focusing on the handicap and began appreciating the gift. It was a case of Christ's strength moving in on my weakness. Now I take limitations in stride, and with good cheer, these limitations that cut me down to size—abuse, accidents, opposition, bad breaks. I just let Christ take over! And so the weaker I get, the stronger I become. 2 Corinthians 12:8-10