

A Time For Healing and a Time For Hope

Part 2: Will I Make Room for Jesus?

Luke 2:7—7and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. (NIV)

1. Why do we have no room for Jesus?

a. We don't pay _____

Luke 24:16—16but they were kept from recognizing him. (NIV)

John 4:10—10Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." (NIV)

b. We _____ our lives with other things

1 Corinthians 2:14—14The person without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God but considers them foolishness, and cannot understand them because they are discerned only through the Spirit. (NIV)

Mark 4:10—10When he was alone, the Twelve and the others around him asked him about the parables. (NIV)

Luke 10:39-42—39She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. 40But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" 41"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, 42but few things are needed—or indeed only one. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." (NIV)

Deuteronomy 8:14—14then your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. (NIV)

c. We think _____ to make room for Him.

Psalm 10:4—4In his pride the wicked man does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God. (NIV)

2. Why should I make room for Jesus?

a. To know my Creator and Savior who _____ me.

John 1:1-4—1In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2He was with God in the beginning. 3Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. (NIV)

John 3:16—16For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (NIV)

John 1:11-12—11He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. 12Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God. (NIV)

b. To enjoy a life of _____, _____, and _____.

2 Corinthians 6:12-13—12We are not withholding our affection from you, but you are withholding yours from us. 13As a fair exchange – I speak as to my children – open wide your hearts also. (NIV)

John 14:27—27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. (NIV)

2 Timothy 1:7—7For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. (NIV)

1 John 4:18—¹⁸There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. (NIV)

3. How do I make room for Jesus?

a. _____ Him in

Revelation 3:20—²⁰Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me. (NIV)

Psalms 37:5—⁵Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this. (NIV)

Action Step . . .

Make Room for Jesus