Make an Impact

Jesus Encounters Message Series Week 1 Mark 1:29-45

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If we are going to minister like Jesus, we must...

1. <u>Spend time</u> with our heavenly Father. (Mark 1:35; John 15:5)

Have a plan:

- 1. Choose a time.
- 2. Choose a location.
- 3. Choose a book of the Bible or devotional.

Resource: YouVersion Bible App

2. Be willing to disappoint people.

Obviously, I'm not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ's servant.

Galatians 1:10, NLT

3. Be willing to touch the hurting.

"No person is too disgusting for God's touch. In a sense, we are all people with leprosy because we have all been deformed by the ugliness of sin. But God, by sending his Son Jesus, has touched us, giving us the opportunity to be healed. When you feel repulsed by someone, stop and remember how God feels about that person—and about you."

Life Application Study Bible, NIV, Tyndale House Publishers, Wheaton, IL, and Zondervan, Grand Rapids, MI, 1991, p. 1729.