

CRAZY ASKS #1
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The young man said, "What do I still lack?" Jesus answered, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." When the young man heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth. Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly I tell you, it is hard for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." When the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished and asked, "Who then can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible." Matthew 19:20-26 NIV

GOD MAKES BIG ASKS ...

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"Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-8 NIV

HOSEA: "YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS?"

The LORD gave this message to Hosea son of Beeri during the years when Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah were kings of Judah, and Jeroboam son of Jehoash was king of Israel. When the LORD first began speaking to Israel through Hosea, he said to him, "Go and marry a prostitute, so that some of her children will be conceived in prostitution. This will illustrate how Israel has acted like a prostitute by turning against the LORD and worshiping other gods. So Hosea married Gomer, the daughter of Diblaim, and she became pregnant and gave Hosea a son." Hosea 1:1-3 NLT

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The LORD said to me, "Go, show your love to your wife again, though she is loved by another man and is an adulteress. Love her as the LORD loves the Israelites, though they turn to other gods and love the sacred raisin cakes." So I bought her for fifteen shekels of silver and about a homer and a lethek of barley. Then I told her, "You are to live with me many days; you must not be a prostitute or be intimate with any man, and I will behave the same way toward you." Hosea 3:1-3 NIV

HOSEA'S HEADLINE:

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JESUS: “YOU CAN’T BE SERIOUS?”

*“In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!” **Philippians 2:5-8 NIV***

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*“When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. And since we have been made right in God’s sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God’s condemnation. For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son. So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.” **Romans 5:6-11 NLT***

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FOR DISCUSSION

WHAT DOES “COASTING” IN OUR COMMITMENT TO GOD LOOK LIKE?

DO YOU REMEMBER A MOMENT WHEN GOD MADE A BIG ASK AND YOU SAID “YES”?

HOW DOES KNOWING GOD’S CHARACTER HELP US SAY “YES” WHEN THE ASK DOESN’T MAKE SENSE TO US OR GOES AGAINST THE “NORM”?

WHAT DOES HOSEA’S AND JESUS’ “YES” TO GOD’S ASK MODEL FOR US?

HOW CAN YOU APPLY TODAY’S SESSION TO YOUR LIFE RIGHT NOW?

