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*“What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’ ‘I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went. Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will, sir,’ but he did not go. “Which of the two did what his father wanted?”*

“The first,” they answered. *Matthew 21:28-31 NIV*

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*“My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”*

*Matthew 26:39 NIV*

**The Battle In The Moment Is...**

**VS**

**CLAIMS VERSUS CONDUCT: “WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?”**

*On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”*

*“What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?” He answered, ““Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.”*

*“You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.” But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”*

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*In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’” Jesus said: “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?” The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.” *Luke 10:25-37 NIV**

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*“Dear friends, do you think you’ll get anywhere in this if you learn all the right words but never do anything? Does merely talking about faith indicate that a person really has it? For instance, you come upon an old friend dressed in rags and half-starved and say, “Good morning, friend! Be clothed in Christ! Be filled with the Holy Spirit!” and walk off without providing so much as a coat*

*or a cup of soup—where does that get you? Isn't it obvious that God-talk without God-acts is outrageous nonsense?" James 2:14-17 MSG*

**GOD-TALK IN THE MOMENT? OR GOD-ACTS IN THE MOMENT?**

*"This is how we've come to understand and experience love: Christ sacrificed his life for us. This is why we ought to live sacrificially for our fellow believers, and not just be out for ourselves. If you see some brother or sister in need and have the means to do something about it but turn a cold shoulder and do nothing, what happens to God's love? It disappears. And you made it disappear. My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practice real love." 1 John 3:16-18 MSG*

LORD,

IN ANY GIVEN MOMENT TODAY, WITH ANY GIVEN PERSON TODAY, HELP ME **ACT IN LOVE** FOR **YOU** AND FOR **THEM** FIRST ...SO I CAN TALK ABOUT **YOU** TO THEM AND HAVE IT BE MEANINGFUL. FORGIVE ME FOR NOT UNDERSTANDING THAT MY MISSION FIELD FROM YOU IS RIGHT WHERE I AM AND WHO I AM WITH. LET ME BE THE ONE TODAY WHO ASKS, "WHAT DO YOU NEED?" AND TAKE STEPS MEET IT.

IN JESUS NAME, AMEN.

**FOR DISCUSSION:**

**HOW DO YOU REACT WHEN PROMPTED BY GOD TO DO SOMETHING YOU DON'T FEEL LIKE DOING?**

**WHAT INFLUENCE DOES THE ASKER (GOD) HAVE ON YOUR ACTIONS?**

**IN WHAT WAYS DO WE ALL JUSTIFY OUR LACK OF ACTION IN THE MOMENT? WHAT DO WE FEAR TAKING ACTION WILL MEAN?**

**HOW DOES OBEDIENCE WITH STRUGGLE (VERSUS WITHOUT) CONFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO JESUS?**

**IN TODAY'S CULTURE WHAT WOULD MORE "GOD-ACTS" VERSUS "GOD TALK" ACCOMPLISH FOR THE KINGDOM? WHY?**