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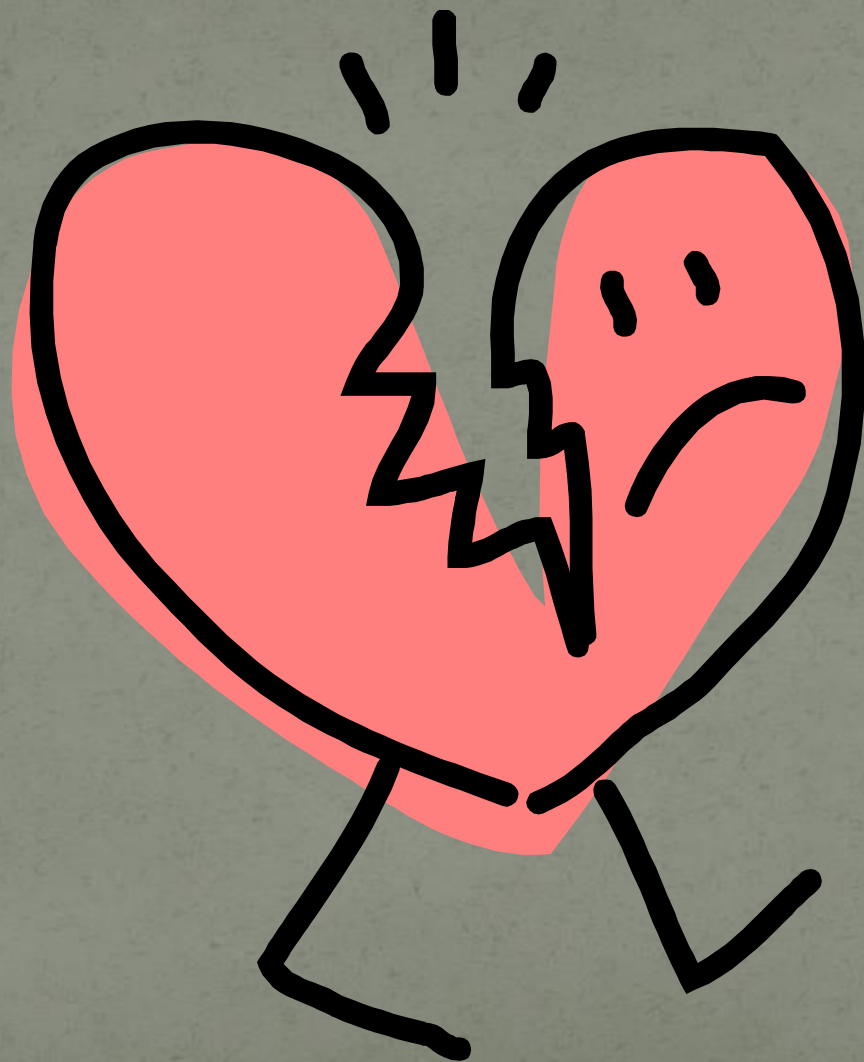
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So would you say

you

had a hard week?

# Consider Jesus.

Matthew Chapter 11

Verse 1- After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in the towns of Galilee.

He finished instructing his twelve disciples

He went on... to teach and preach...



Verse 4- Go back and report to John what you hear and see.

*He instructs John's disciples.*

Verse 5- The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and good news is preached to the poor.

He called the twelve disciples to him and *gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.*

*( ch.10:1 speaks of the source of such power )*

Verse 7- As John's disciples were leaving, Jesus began to speak to the crowd about John:  
What did you go out into the desert to see?  
A reed swayed by the wind?

As the day goes on *He instructs* to a larger audience- a crowd.

Verse 11-I tell you the truth; Among those born of women there has not risen anyone greater than John the Baptist; yet he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

*He defends* His faithful servant, John the Baptist...

*Yet He dictates* where John the Baptist will sit relative to others in heaven.

Verse 19- The Son of Man came eating and drinking , and they say, Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.

But wisdom is proved right by her actions.

*He corrects and espouses His authority*  
showing the difference of knowing Him  
and denying Him.

Verse 20- Then Jesus began to denounce the cities in which most of His miracles had been performed, because they did not repent.

Not enough to chastise some small rural communities, He denounces the cities He had previously performed miracles in, to illustrate His Omnipotence, yet they failed to be influenced.

Verse 21- Woe to you, Korizin! Woe to you, Bethsaida!

And

Verse 23- And you Capernaum, will you be lifted up to the skies? No, you will go down to the depths.

Not Enough to denounce these cities in general, He actually names them and lays a “woe” upon them, disgraces them and foretells of their judgement to come.

After all that Jesus has done in this one short  
period...

*By Himself* (in human terms)

*Willingly*

*To lead*

*To lead by example*

*To educate*

*To correct*

*To advise*

*To instruct*

*To defend*

*To define a choice for everyone*



If you were in His place, you might have one or more  
of these symptoms.

Fear

Anxiety

Despair

Unappreciated

Uncertainty

Lack of Commitment

Doubt

Unworthiness

Unfaithfulness

Humility

And that was a  
comparable time in  
the life of our  
Saviour Jesus Christ.



And  
You've  
got a  
headache?

And the second aspect  
I see?

Not only is Christ doing all  
the work, He is still has  
time to be the  
Protector of our Soul.

The final three verses read:

“At that time Jesus prayed this prayer:

**O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, thank you for hiding these things from those who think themselves wise and clever, and for revealing them to the childlike. Yes Father, it pleased you to do it this way!**

**My Father has entrusted everything  
to me,  
No one truly knows the Son  
except the Father,  
and no one truly knows the Father  
except the Son  
and those whom the Son has chosen  
to reveal Him.**

Then He said,

**Come to me, all of you who are weary  
and carry a heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest.**

**Take my yoke upon you.**

**Let me teach you,  
because I am humble and gentle  
at heart,**

**and you will find rest for your souls.**

**For my yoke is easy to bear, and the  
burden I give you is light.”**

# Matthew 11

So I ask you once again;

Why are you so glum, tired and  
frustrated?

Jesus is doing all the  
work!