



NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN CENTER
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See Mark 5

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Curly in “City Slickers” said the secret to life is “just one thing.” If someone asked you that same question this week, what’s the “one thing” that’s been running your life lately? Be honest, it doesn’t have to be a spiritual answer.

ENGAGE

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

GROW

1. On a scale of 1–10, how “hurried” would you say your life has felt this past month? What’s driving that number?
2. Read Matthew 11:28-30. Jesus says, “Come to me... and I will give you rest”; not “finish your work, then come.” What would it look like for you to actually receive that today, mid-to-do-list, instead of waiting for a clearer moment?
3. Be brave for a minute...who in your life has probably felt the “one sec” treatment from lately, kind of a half-listening “yeah... yeah” moment? No need to name names out loud if it’s too personal, but notice who came to mind.
4. In the message we heard...” looking busy for God while staying at arm’s length from Him.” Does that hit close to home for you? In what way?
5. “You cannot microwave maturity.” What’s one area of your spiritual life where you’ve been wanting a shortcut, but it probably just needs time, repetition, and patience instead?

LEAD (YOURSELF):

The challenge this week was to pick one thing: a phone-free meal, a walk without music, a clock-free conversation, or some other moment of presence over pace. Which one are you actually going to try, and when?