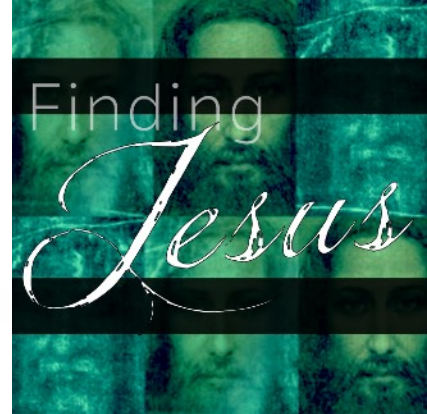


## “Interrupted Jesus”



### Getting Started

**W**hat is the phrase that is most likely to interrupt, and possibly irritate you?

Some examples include...

- Mom, I don't feel good
- Honey, the car is making a funny noise
- Dad, the wifi's not working
- Babe, where is my \_\_\_\_\_

### Going Deeper

**T**ake a moment to read the following verses in [Matthew 9](#)

Matthew 9:1,2

Verse 10

Verse 14

Verse 18

Verse 27

Verse 32,33

Verse 35,36

**W**hat are the different ways that Jesus was interrupted?

How did he respond to those interruptions?

**O**ur legacy is established in interrupted space. It's not in the big moments, but a thousand small ones. Read the following quote and then talk as a group about what this means to you in your life.

*You and I don't live in a series of big, dramatic moments. We don't careen from big decision to big decision. We all live in an endless series of little moments. The character of a life isn't set in ten big moments. The character of a life is set in ten thousand little moments of everyday life. It's the themes of struggles that emerge from those little moments that reveal what's really going on in our hearts. -Paul Tripp*

Let's take a moment to talk about four characteristics of interruptible people.

**1. Interruptible people have a different view of success.**

"I may not be the smartest person in the room but I will be the most available." -Bob Goff

**2. Interruptible people place a high value on the people around them.**

Who are the people that have enough value that you allow them to interrupt you?

How are "valuing people" and "being interruptible" connected?

**3. Interruptible people are in the moment.**

How do you feel in the following two scenarios?

- You walk up to a friend and begin a conversation and as you do that friend takes their cell phone and places it face down and gives you their full attention.
- You walk up to a friend and you begin a conversation and in the middle of that conversation the phone rings and he says "Just one second" and picks up his phone.

What are the things that keep you from being in the moment with the people around you?

**4. Interruptible people have margin in their lives.**

Take a moment to read and respond to the following quote:

*"Love and hurry are fundamentally incompatible. Love always takes time, and time is the one thing hurried people don't have." -John Ortberg*

**Do you agree with the following statement?**

There are a lot of ways that you can create a legacy. You can create a business legacy and a financial legacy and an athletic legacy and a legacy of accomplishments. But if you want to create a legacy of care and compassion and love, you and I need to learn to be interruptible.

**What action steps do you feel God is calling you to take to become a more interruptible person?**

