

Day 4: Keep Pressing In

Devotional

Have you ever prayed and felt like the answer was blurry? Like you could sense God moving, but you could not quite make it out clearly?

In Mark 8, Jesus heals a blind man in two stages. After the first touch, the man could see, but people looked like trees walking around. It was not until Jesus touched Him a second time that everything came into focus. That story is not a picture of Jesus failing. It is a picture of a process, and an invitation to keep pressing in.

Life has a way of positioning trials right between us and the glory of God. The enemy knows that if he can get a circumstance in just the right spot, it can block your view of what God is doing. But the answer is not to give up. The answer is to shift your position. Step to the side of the trial and get your eyes back on Jesus.

Do not quit praying now. Do not quit believing now. Keep coming to Him, even when the picture is not fully clear yet. He is faithful, and He will bring it into focus. The same Jesus who touched that man's eyes twice is still at work in your situation today.

Keep pressing in. Clarity is coming.

Bible Verse

"They came to Bethsaida, and some people brought a blind man and begged Jesus to touch Him. He took the blind man by the hand and led him outside the village. When he had spit on the man's eyes and put his hands on him, Jesus asked, 'Do you see anything?' He looked up and said, 'I see people; they look like trees walking around.' Once more Jesus put His hands on the man's eyes. Then his eyes were opened, his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly." - Mark 8:22-25

Reflection Question

What trial has been blocking your view of God's glory lately, and what would it look like to step to the side of it and refocus on Him?

Quote

"Don't quit praying now. Don't quit believing now. Keep pressing in. If you might look at life and you might say, God, the answer is so blurry. But I want to tell you if you keep coming to him, he is going to cry out over your life, be opened, you will see clearly again."

Prayer

Jesus, when life feels blurry, help me to keep pressing in instead of pulling back. Touch my eyes again and bring clarity to what You are doing in my life. I trust Your process.