

Just a Little Talk with Jesus; Hebrews 10:19-22

- I. Talking
 - a. Communication is vital in any relationship
 - i. You may have heard the illustration, “I told her I loved her when we were married. If anything changes, I’ll let her know.”
 - ii. You and I both know that marriage is headed for failure
 - b. We communicate in two main ways, verbal and nonverbal
 - i. A lot of the time, our nonverbal contradicts our verbal communication
 - ii. But we need both types to communicate effectively
 - c. “Now, let us have a little talk with Jesus”
- II. Lost
 - a. “I once was lost in sin, but Jesus took me in”
 - b. We (mankind) have a sin problem
 - i. Adam and Eve (Genesis 3)
 - ii. Cain killed Abel (Genesis 4)
 - iii. Genesis 6:5–6 (ESV) 5 The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. 6 And the Lord regretted that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart.
 1. We often describe God as having human form or attributes
 2. Remember, the image we were made in is not this human form; God is spirit
 3. So, “the LORD regretted...” can literally be “the LORD heaved with a sigh”
 4. God’s response to mankind’s evil hearts is a wounded heart filled with pain
 - iv. The Tower of Babel (Genesis 11)
 1. The problem here is not that they were building a skyscraper but that they wanted to be equal with God
 2. Genesis 11:4 (ESV) 4 Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be dispersed over the face of the whole earth.”
 - v. We are not even a quarter of the way through the first book of the Bible, and already we can see a pattern forming in mankind; we have a sin problem
 - c. We are so interested in our well-being, getting what we want, and feeling how we want to feel that we fail to see Satan’s plan
 - i. He wants us to focus on ourselves, on our worldly wants and desires, so we will not focus on the Father
 - ii. God has a plan and a purpose for our lives
 - iii. Psalm 139:15–16 (ESV) 15 My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. 16

Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

- d. When we recognize that nothing here on this Earth has any power to save us, we will conclude that Jesus can 'take us in'
 - i. It is only through His (Jesus') saving blood that we find salvation (eternal life with God)
 - ii. Hebrews 10:19–20 (ESV) 19 Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, 20 by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh,
- e. "I once was lost in sin, but Jesus took me in. And then a little light from heaven filled my soul"

III. Doubts

- a. "I may have doubts and fears, my eyes be filled with tears"
- b. Bad things happen to us (yes, even to faithful Christians)
- c. These bad things make us doubt
 - i. I'm sure we all know people that have walked away from God because of some terrible thing that happened to them or their loved ones
 - ii. They blame God for these things
 - iii. Do we blame God for Adam and Eve's sin? (No, Satan deceived Eve)
 - iv. Do we blame God for Abel's murder? (No, Cain, acting with evil intentions, murdered his brother)
 - v. Do we blame God for the flood? (No, mankind's thoughts were only evil continually)
 - vi. Listen to David as he doubts
 - vii. Psalm 3:1–3 (ESV) 1 O Lord, how many are my foes! Many are rising against me; 2 many are saying of my soul, "There is no salvation for him in God." *Selah* 3 But you, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.
 - viii. Psalm 10:1–2 (ESV) 1 Why, O Lord, do you stand far away? Why do you hide yourself in times of trouble? 2 In arrogance the wicked hotly pursue the poor; let them be caught in the schemes that they have devised.
 - ix. Psalm 10:16–18 (ESV) 16 The Lord is king forever and ever; the nations perish from his land. 17 O Lord, you hear the desire of the afflicted; you will strengthen their heart; you will incline your ear 18 to do justice to the fatherless and the oppressed, so that man who is of the earth may strike terror no more.
 - x. Psalm 6:1–3 (ESV) 1 O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, nor discipline me in your wrath. 2 Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing; heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled. 3 My soul also is greatly troubled. But you, O Lord—how long?
 - xi. God can handle anything you throw at Him

- d. We must stop blaming Him for the bad things that happen to us; that 'honor' belongs to Satan!
 - e. "But Jesus is a friend who watches day and night. I go to Him in prayer. He knows my every care. And just a little talk with Jesus clears the way"
- IV. A Little Talk
- a. "Now let us have a little talk with Jesus, let us tell Him all about our troubles"
 - i. He wants to have open communication with us
 - ii. He wants us to bring Him all the things that keep us down (so He can clear the way)
 - b. "He will hear our faintest cry. He will answer by and by"
 - c. Have you called to Jesus?
 - d. Have a little talk with Jesus