

TONIGHT, I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU A FEW THINGS THAT I BELIEVE WILL HELP US MOVE FORWARD AND INTO THIS NEXT PERIOD WHICH MIGHT SEEM A LITTLE UNUSUAL.

1. NO ONE CLEARLY SEES WHAT THE FUTURE HAS IN STORE – EXCEPT FOR GOD.
2. LIFE WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE US PLENTY OF CHOICES TO MAKE – SOME HARD/ EASY.
3. PEOPLE CHOOSE TO (1) BECOME BETTER OR TO BECOME BITTER.
4. PEOPLE CHOOSE TO (2) GET MORE AND/OR TO GIVE MORE.
5. THE LIFE WE'VE BEEN GIVEN AND THE CHOICES WE MAKE IS NOT REALLY ABOUT US.

Q: WANT TO KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE? LOOK FIRST, AT THE CHOICES BEING MADE.

(1) IN THE MIDDLE OF DIFFICULTY LIES OPPORTUNITY – ALBERT EINSTEIN.

- **DON'T RUN FROM OPPORTUNITY – GRAB HOLD & RIDE IT AS LONG AS POSSIBLE!**

(2) NOTHING GOOD HAPPENS BY ACCIDENT. AND NEITHER SHOULD YOU.

- **DON'T SETTLE FOR WHAT'S BEEN DONE. BE INTENTIONAL!**

[HEALTH, FINANCES, SKILLS, TALENTS, RELATIONSHIPS]

(3) LEAVE THINGS BETTER THAN WHEN YOU FOUND THEM.

- **HELP OTHERS DO THE SAME!**

There are many who say that they're good enough in the following areas...

- "My **body** is 'good enough.'" UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER GOOD ENOUGH.
- "My **skills** are 'good enough.'" UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER GOOD ENOUGH.
- "My **stress** level is 'good enough.'" UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER GOOD ENOUGH.
- "My **faith** is 'good enough.'" UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER GOOD ENOUGH.
- "My **financial** situation is 'good enough.'" UNTIL IT IS NO LONGER GOOD ENOUGH.

WHY WOULD ANYONE IMPROVE SOMETHING THAT'S ALREADY GOOD ENOUGH

MARK 2:1-12

[FOLLOWERS, BELIEVERS, ACTORS]

- THERE WAS NO MORE ROOM... BECAUSE OF THE CROWD
- FOUR MEN ARRIVED CARRYING A PARALYZED MAN
- WENT UPON THE ROOF AND DUG A HOLE TO LOWER THE MAN DOWN
- THE MAN WAS ABLE TO GET A FRONT ROW SEAT IN FRONT OF JESUS
- (5) JESUS SAW THE MENS' **FAITH**, AND HE BLESSED THE PARALYZED MAN WITH FORGIVENESS OF HIS SINS
- TO PROVE HIS AUTHORITY, JESUS ALSO HEALED THE MAN
- (11) STAND UP, PICK UP YOUR MAT & GO HOME! – HE GAVE HIM **A NEW MISSION**