

Fall Series: **The Gospel according to MARK: Jesus in Action!**

Lesson 8: Helping or Hurting? Mark 9.38-50, NIV

☞ Or, the Serious _____ of being a Christ-follower!

☞ All of us are either:

1. _____ know or grow in Jesus
2. _____ in such a way that it drives them away from Jesus

3 Points:

1. _____ others
2. _____ others
3. _____

Hurting others is _____

- ☞ If anyone causes one of these little ones—those whoc _____—to stumble,
- ☞ it would be better for them if a large _____ were hung around their neck and they were thrown into the sea.

Please explain!

- ☞ Is Jesus being _____ here?
- ☞ Note who bears the _____
- ☞ What actually is ‘stumbling?’
- ☞ Simply put, _____
- ☞ He [God] will not take kindly to any who lead them astray or cause them to sin. That is reason enough to be **careful in our** _____ and _____ lest we cause others to transgress God’s law.

Take care of yourself!

- ☞ If your _____, _____, or _____ ..
- ☞ “_____ you to stumble”
- ☞ Who is to blame here?
- ☞ Repeated warning: _____

Take action!

☞ Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us _____ that hinders and the _____ that so easily entangles. And let us run with _____ the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on _____ the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the _____ set before him he _____ the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3. _____ who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12.1-3

Helping can be simple: Ask yourself: What does that person _____

- ☞ _____ = _____
- ☞ Or, what else? _____

You are the salt . .

☞ ¹³“You are _____ But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. Matthew 5

Action Plan: Yes, take _____

1. Assess yourself in the light of the _____, the _____, and a _____
2. _____ for what others are needing!

In our struggle to serve Jesus, remember:

God composes _____ from tragedy’s _____ *New Morning Mercies*, Nov 2, Dr Paul David Tripp