

Leave a Mark That Matters

SERMON NOTES

Mark 6:14-29 • Stacy Sublett



How will you be remembered?

Everyone leaves a mark on the world, so make sure that your mark matters.

A contrast of Herod Antipas and John the Baptist:

- Herod's history:

Herod wanted to leave a mark, but he also wanted to look good.

The desire to look good can lead to disastrous results.

Is my life leaving the kind of mark that really matters?

- John's journey:

Leaving a mark that matters begins with knowing Jesus.

I know that I know Jesus because...

Leaving a mark that matters requires character.

I have seen God developing character in me because...

Leaving a mark that matters means a life that points to Jesus.

- **Herod:** Look at me! Notice me! See me!
- **John:** Follow me...

My life is pointing other people to...

God wants people to meet Jesus

- Herod the Great
- Herod Antipas
- Herod Agrippa

Every person leaves a mark on the world. Only those who are being transformed by Jesus will leave a mark that matters.

Will the mark I leave matter?

upcoming events

FOR MORE INFO: WWW.CALVARYSC.ORG/UPCOMING-EVENTS

Tues	5/25	7pm	Midtown Prayer Night
Wed	5/26	9:30am	Heart-to-Heart
Thur	5/27	7pm	Equipping Night
Sun	5/30	---	AFM at Spikes Game (Ticket Order Deadline)
Sat	6/5	---	Men's Golf Tournament
Fri	6/17-28	---	Estonia Mission Trip
Sat-Sun	6/19-20	---	Baby Bottle Blessings (Bottles Due this Weekend!)
Thur	6/24	7pm	AFM at Spikes Game
Mon	6/28-7/1	---	Calvary Kids' Sports Camp
Tue	6/29	6-8pm	Intro to Life Group Leadership
Mon	7/12-30	---	Rwanda Mission Trip
	7/12-16	---	S.O.S. 2010 (Summer of Service)



*This list does not include recurring events.

Check Calvary's calendar for complete listing: www.calvarysc.org/calendar

A Closer Look

Baby Bottle Blessings Please pick up a bottle in the 1250 and Midtown lobbies today to support A Woman's Concern. Fill it with spare change, cash, and checks; return bottle Father's Day weekend (June 19 - 20). Money raised allows AWC to continue providing Christ-centered and life-encouraging services!

6/24 Hit a home run this summer! Attend a Spikes game on 6/24 at 7pm and support Angel Food Ministries in the Centre Region. Kids under 12 eat free! Order tickets (\$7ea.) by 3pm, Sun., 5/30. Checks payable to Calvary Baptist Church with 'Spikes Tickets' in memo line. Toss in offering plate, drop box or mail to Calvary (Attn: Judy Yates). Tickets available for pick up at the game. Q's?: angelfood@calvarysc.org or call Judy at 238.0822 (ext. 38).

6/28-7/1 Kids Sports Camp: Earlybird deadline is May 31 (\$20/camper). Brochure/registration forms available at all kids' registration desks or online: www.calvarysc.org/children (\$30/camper in June) Mt. Nittany Middle School, 5:30-8:30pm Q's?: Sherilyn@calvarysc.org, 238.0822 (ext. 30).

Note: Team 45 (preschool children) is full and now on waiting list status. Registration Q? saraebanker@gmail.com

New to Calvary? Welcome! Please pick up a Guest Guide in the lobby.

THE WEEKLY

5.22-23.10

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God-Stories: Accounts of how God is working in and through you, touching the lives around you, glimpses of His love, mercy and power, transforming hearts - especially your own. Here is one from a Calvary attender...

"The Way Out of Self-Pity: Periodically I succumb to self-pity over my life's little troubles (I'm ashamed to say), and recently I've been stuck there. Mercifully, the Lord spoke to me about it through His Word last week, for which I am most grateful. Luke 17:32-33, 'Remember Lot's wife! Whoever tries to keep [her] life will lose it, and whoever loses [her] life will preserve it.' As I ruminate on my life's losses, I'm in effect saying, 'Nooooooo!' My self-pitying meditations are my way of holding on to my perceived losses, thereby trying to keep my life. I made the unhappy discovery that I can sincerely thank God for my circumstances, and still feel very sorry for myself. And I can focus on others and earnestly serve them, and still feel very sorry for myself. Practicing these steps of faith consistently were not enough. I felt ugly inside and distracted, unable to focus, depressed, and sad. When the Lord spoke to me through Luke's verses, He made clear that I needed to stop trying to hold on to what He was taking away—in effect, to lose my life, to open my hand of the specific things for which I was most acutely feeling loss—and as I responded to His voice, His joy and peace immediately flowed in and over me and has continued that way since. Praise Him!"

Ask God if you are holding on to something today of which He wants you to let go. He is a good Father, and desires to put good things into your open hands.

If you have a God-Story you'd like to share with us, email god-stories@calvarysc.org. Your story is a powerful testimony of how God is working in your life; it is a monument and it builds up the body of Christ.

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. (1 Thessalonians 5:11)



God-Stories are places where we see God at work around us. Do you have a God-Story to share? Send to: God-stories@calvarysc.org

QUICK LINKS
www.calvarysc.org + shortcut listed below:

- Prayer Requests /prayer
- Worship Times & Locations /worship
- Request Info or a Brochure /info-request
- Serve at Calvary or in the Community /give
- Connect to a Life Group or Other Group /connect