

Leave a Mark With What You Take

SERMON NOTES

Mark 9:30-50 • Stacy Sublett



Leaving that region, they travelled through Galilee. Jesus didn't want anyone to know he was there, for he wanted to spend more time with his disciples and teach them. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into the hands of his enemies. He will be killed, but three days later he will rise from the dead." They didn't understand what he was saying, however, and they were afraid to ask him what he meant. Mark 9:30-32 (NLT)

LEAVING A MARK DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU TAKE...

After they arrived at Capernaum and settled in a house, Jesus asked his disciples, "What were you discussing out on the road?" But they didn't answer, because they had been arguing about which of them was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve disciples over to him, and said, "Whoever wants to be first must take last place and be the servant of everyone else." Mark 9:33-35 (NLT)

...SO I WILL TAKE THE ROLE OF A servant.

Who am I serving?

Then he put a little child among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, "Anyone who welcomes a little child like this on my behalf welcomes me, and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not only me but also my Father who sent me." Mark 9:36-37 (NLT)

...SO I WILL TAKE time FOR CHILDREN.

Who am I investing in?

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone using your name to cast out demons, but we told him to stop because he wasn't in our group."

"Don't stop him!" Jesus said. "No one who performs a miracle in my name will soon be able to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. If anyone gives you even a cup of water because you belong to the Messiah, I tell you the truth, that person will surely be rewarded." Mark 9:38-41 (NLT)

...SO I WILL TAKE OPPORTUNITIES TO partner WITH OTHERS
FOR THE KING AND KINGDOM.

How am I part of the Church of the City?

"But if you cause one of these little ones who trusts in me to fall into sin, it would be better for you to be thrown into the sea with a large millstone hung around your neck. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It's better to enter eternal life with only one hand than to go into the unquenchable fires of hell with two hands. If your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It's better to enter eternal life with only one foot than to be thrown into hell with two feet. And if your eye causes you to sin, gouge it out. It's better to enter the Kingdom of God with only one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, 'where the maggots never die and the fire never goes out.'" Mark 9:42-48 (NLT)

...SO I WILL TAKE MY personal holiness SERIOUSLY.

What is causing me to sin, and what do I need to do about it?

"For everyone will be tested with fire. Salt is good for seasoning. But if it loses its flavor, how do you make it salty again? You must have the qualities of salt among yourselves and live in peace with each other." Mark 9:49-50 (NLT)

...SO I WILL TAKE TIME TO prepare FOR THE TEST.

How am I being tested, and how am I doing?

upcoming events

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

---	7/12-30	---	Rwanda Missions Trip
Sun	7/25	4-5:30pm	Quarterly Congregational Meeting
Wed	7/27	7pm	Common Ground: Summer Style (PSU Students)
Tues	8/3	TBD	Parent/Child Baptism Class
Fri-Sat	8/6-7	---	ThirdPlace Camping Trip (Prince Gallitzin Park)
Wed	8/11	9:30am	WeeKids Camp (Sunset Park)
Wed	9/1	9:30am	MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)
Fri	9/3	7:30pm	ThirdPlace Fall Kick-off BBQ
Sat	9/11	5:30pm	The Table Meal returns!



*This list does not include recurring events.

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

A Closer Look

7.25 Quarterly Congregational Meeting: Everyone is invited and members are encouraged to attend. 4-5:30pm at Calvary 1250 (Room 16/18).

8.3 Parent/Child Baptism Class: Tuesday evening for children age 7-11. Class size is limited. Q's or to register, contact sherilyn@calvarysc.org (ext. 30).

Rwanda Missions Trip: We currently have a missions team in Rwanda. The team departed State College Monday, July 12 and will return on July 30. Please keep them in prayer as they spend time being the hands and feet of Jesus to the people of Rwanda!

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

THE WEEKLY

7.24-25.10

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"As a part of the Christian community at Penn State, it is very easy to get caught up in the bubble of your own organization, and I am definitely guilty of that. When I heard the announcement at Midtown that there was going to be this thing where all the Christian groups on campus were going to meet once a week, I smiled at the chance to get to know who else is out there that is living this faith thing with me here at PSU.

Most of my friends find me as this goofy, outgoing girl, but that wasn't the case when I got to the first Common Ground meeting. However, there were plenty of people who I didn't know from a can of paint that came up and introduced themselves to me with smiles and warm voice tones, and silly me, I thought that the introductions would be the highlight of my night, but boy was I fooled. Next there was amazing worship that made me feel that God was standing there dancing with us. The icing on the cake was the challenging message that came from Erica Young Reitz charging us to be more intentional about unity in body of Christ here at the University, accepting our differences, calling out our flaws, encouraging each other, and more importantly growing together as a body bringing glory to God.

Man have I got a lot of work to do, and while achieving unity may not be easy, we all serve a God where anything is possible."

—Dara Alston

7/27 Common Ground - Summer Style: a united weekly gathering for any students here this summer. A great place to welcome freshmen, meet other students, and be encouraged in fellowship throughout the summer. Wednesdays, in Pollock Rec Room from 7-9pm. Dessert/snacks provided. Q's? commongroundpsu@gmail.com

COMMON GROUND



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