

All The Places To Go

Invitation or Interruption?

1. It's an invitation to live for God in the every season

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise."

[James 5:13]

Don't quit in the dip.

"A right time for birth and another for death,
A right time to plant and another to reap,
A right time to destroy and another to construct,
A right time to cry and another to laugh,
A right time to make love and another to abstain,
A right time to search and another to count your losses,
A right time to shut up and another to speak up,
A right time to wage war and another to make peace."
[Ecclesiastes 3 (MSG)]

2. It's an invitation to healing in community

"Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

[James 5:14-16]

We go to God for forgiveness. We go to God's people for healing.

"Where there are no oxen, the manger is clean, but abundant crops come by the strength of the ox."

[Proverbs 14:4]

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."

[James 5:16]

3. It's an invitation to pray big prayers by small people

"Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops."

[James 5:17-18]

"But as for me, I would seek God, And I would place my cause before God; who does great and unsearchable things, Wonders without number. He gives rain on the earth, And sends water on the fields."

[Job 5:8-10]