

“Come and See, Lord!”

³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ “Where have you laid him?” he asked.

“Come and see, Lord,” they replied. (John 11:32-34)

When dealing with seemingly impossible and difficult situations, we can do one of two things:

- 1. Shut Jesus out! Or*
- 2. Invite Him in!*

Mary and Martha could have harboured anger against Jesus because after receiving a message that Lazarus was sick, He did not come in time. Sometimes we may feel that Jesus or God has abandoned us. What do you do? Do you turn your back on God or His Son, and shut Him out. Or, do you invite Him in and say, just like Mary and his followers, *“Come and see, Lord!”*

No matter how difficult situations have become, it is never too late to invite Jesus to have a look!

“Lord, come and see the troubles that I face. I have messed up real bad and things seem hopeless. What can You do to help?”

My friend, anger, justified or otherwise, mixed with hurt and pain can cause us to make irrational decisions, and do things that we live to regret. Don't turn your back on God! He is always present waiting to help turn around any situation for the best.

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My point is simple. Jesus loves us and He cares for us. During troubled times, even the best of us, may feel disappointed, angry and alone. That does not mean that God is not there, ready and willing to Help. He will never turn His back on us!

Why not let Him in. *“Come and see, Lord!”*

Heavenly Father,

“I have been wrestling with disappointment, anger and the feeling of abandonment by You. O Lord, Forgive me. I understand that You care for me, and will never forsake me. I thank You for Your love, and invite You to ‘Come and see, Lord!’ I let go, and place my problem into Your hands. You are The Problem Solver. In faith, I joyfully await Your answer to my situation. In Jesus’ mighty name I pray with thanksgiving. Amen.”

Jesus said, “Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28)