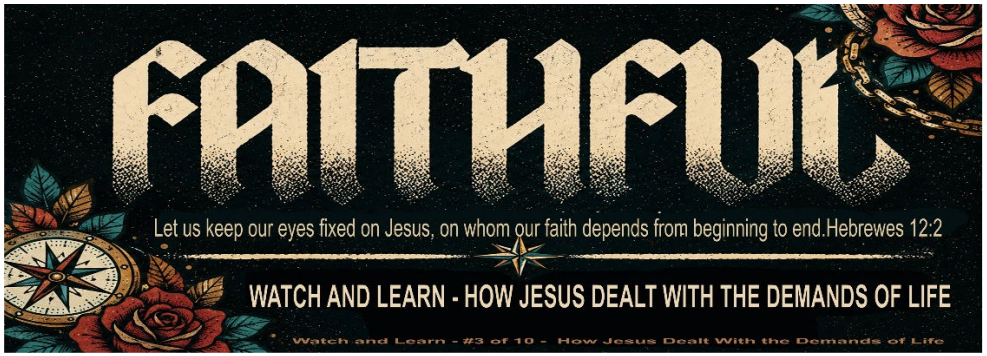

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **Matthew 11:29** NIV

The one who says he belongs to Christ should live the same kind of life Christ lived. **I John 2:6** NLV

I CAN FULFILL GOD'S MISSION EVEN WHEN LIFE IS DEMANDING, IF …

1. **I _____ _____ THAT _____ ARE THE _____.**

   A _____ _____ man. (Mark 5:1-18)

   A _____ _____. (Mark 5:21-24, 35-43)

   A _____ _____. (Mark 5:25-34)

The thief comes only in order to steal, kill, and destroy. I have come in order that you might have life—life in all its fullness. **John 10:10** GNT

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free,[19] and that the time of the Lord's favor has come." **Luke 4:18, 19** NIV

2. **I _____ TO LET LIFE'S DEMANDS _____ MY _____.**

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.[37] Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.[38] Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." **Mark 9:36-38** NIV

- **Compassion is an _____ that compels _____.**

Jesus looked at him and loved him. **Mark 10:21** NIV

3. **I _____ THAT GOD WANTS ME TO MAKE A _____.**

As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him.[19] Jesus did not let him, but said, "Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you."[20] So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis[j] how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed. **Mark 5:18-20** NIV

- **My distracting "demand" may be a _____ _____.**

While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?" ***36*** *Overhearing[c] what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."* **Mark 5:35, 36** NIV

"Anything is possible if a person believes." **Mark 9:23** NLT

Live life with a due sense of responsibility, not as men who do not know the … purpose of life but as those who do. Make the best use of your time, despite all the difficulties of these days. Don't be vague but firmly grasp what you know to be the will of God. **Ephesians 5:15-17** Phillips

Because of all that God has done, we now have a new perspective. We used to show regard for people based on worldly standards and interests. No longer. We used to think of the Anointed the same way. No longer. ***17*** *Therefore, if anyone is united with the Anointed One, that person is a new creation. The old life is gone—and see—a new life has begun!* ***18*** *All of this is a gift from our Creator God, who has pursued us and brought us into a restored and healthy relationship with Him through the Anointed. And He has given us the same mission, the ministry of reconciliation, to bring others back to Him.* ***19*** *It is central to our good news that God was in the Anointed making things right between Himself and the world.* ***This means*** *He does not hold their sins against them.* ***But it also means*** *He charges us to proclaim the message that heals and restores our broken relationships with God and each other.* **2 Corinthians 5:16-19** VOICE

Additional Notes:

Reflecting on today's message…

What touched my heart?

What is God asking me to do?

What should I change this week?

Who else needs to hear this message?