



# Daily Reflections

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## Scripture

### **Mark 6: 53-56**

After making the crossing to the other side of the sea, Jesus and his disciples came to land at Gennesaret and tied up there.

As they were leaving the boat, people immediately recognized him. They scurried about the surrounding country and began to bring in the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was.

Whatever villages or towns or countryside he entered, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and begged him that they might touch only the tassel on his cloak; and as many as touched it were healed.

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## Our Scripture Reflection

What a pathetic picture Mark paints of the throngs of people who were desperate to see Jesus. They just wanted someone to love them and the religious leaders of the day had forsaken the opportunity to do so. They had been so arrogant, self-righteous and insincere towards the people. Jesus, however, gave them His time, He loved them with an undivided heart. And He asks you to do the same....

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**Food for your Journey**

Leighton Farrell tells the story of a "childless couple who wanted to adopt a little boy approximately 6 years old. They had visited several adoption agencies and finally found a child that was a match for their family. As they visited with the child, the wife said, 'If you would come and live with us, you could have your own private room, a nice yard with play equipment and all the toys and clothes you could ever want. Would you like to come and live with us?' The little boy hesitated a moment and said, 'No, I don't think so.' The couple was stunned. They felt that they had offered the child everything a child could want. The husband said to the boy, 'We've offered you everything anyone could want. What more do you want?' In words far beyond his years, the child replied, 'I just want someone to love me.'"

\_Farrell, Cries From the Cross (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1994), 36.

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## **A Prayer from the Heart**

Dear God, You sent Your only Son into my life to love me as only You can love me. Help me to treasure my relationship with Him and to share His love with those who hunger and thirst for Him. Amen