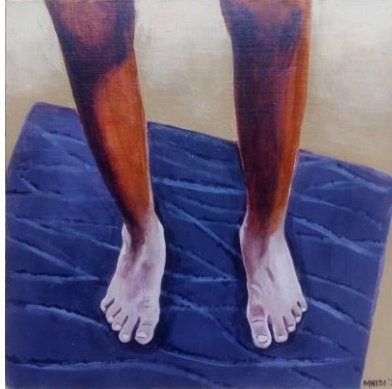


BEFORE WE WIPE THE DUST OFF OUR FEET



We have only one thing to offer the troubled world out there.

One thing that can be found nowhere else.

One thing that stands by itself, needing no props.

One thing that confirms its truth to those who receive it.

The gospel of the kingdom, proclaimed by the King himself.

That's it.

We do not offer prosperity or happiness or entertainment or spiritual life insurance.

We offer the kingdom of God.

We introduce them to the King.



Those who receive the kingdom and walk the walk are transformed into sons and daughters of God.

Their path is engulfed in Light, all the way to Eternity.

But what about those who reject what we offer?

We do not hover over them and try to push them into the kingdom.

We do not hound them.

We simply wipe the dust from our feet and move on.

“But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say,

‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off against you; nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.’

I tell you, it shall be more tolerable on that day for Sodom than for that town.”

Luke 10

But before we wipe the dust from our feet, we need to make sure that they actually heard the gospel from us.

Sometimes our gospel is buried under the weight of our ego.

Sometimes our gospel is tainted with politics.

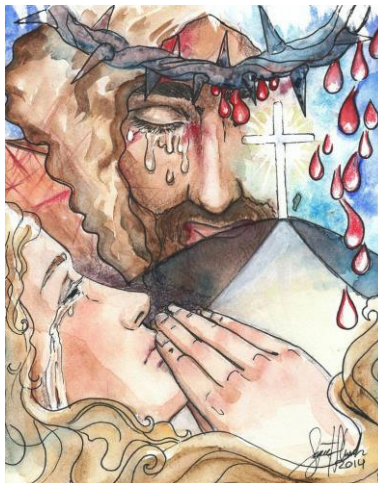
Sometimes we smother them with Bible quotes, without ever letting them hear the voice of Jesus.

So before we wipe the dust from our feet we need to make sure that they actually heard the living Word.

We have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways; we refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God....

....For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake

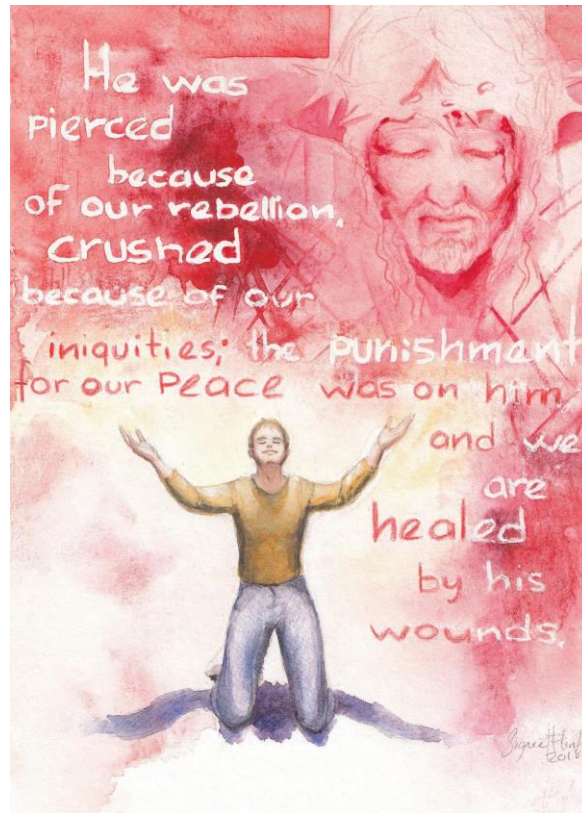
II Corinthians 4



Before we wipe the dust off our feet we might check in with the Master and ask,

“Lord, did these people actually hear you speak through us?”

Or are they still waiting to hear your voice?"



Prayer: Lord, help us truly to allow you to speak through us. Forgive us for leaving you out and instead carrying a religious gospel to the lost who are waiting ...waiting to hear the voice that can call them from the dead. Lord. Forgive us and convict us of being so willing to wipe the dust off our feet. Give us the lips to proclaim your wondrous Kingdom, to shed light and hope into hearts, and to bring you and only you before them the most precious of all kings. Amen.

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