

A Day in Jesus' Life

This story is based on Mark 1:21-39 and Luke 4:31-44.

We would know more about Jesus if we could spend a whole day with him. One way to be with Jesus is to follow a day in his life.

One morning, Jesus got up and went to the place where people said their prayers. He prayed with the people and listened to them read Scripture. Then, Jesus went to the front of the room. He told the people about God, the Father. He said how much God loves everyone. The people listened very closely.

Jesus spent the rest of the day listening to the people. He gave advice. He cured many sick people. Then, Jesus walked with his friends to Peter's house.

Peter had invited Jesus and other friends there to eat. Peter's mother-in-law was going to make a big dinner. When Jesus, Peter, and the others reached the house, they knew something was wrong. There was not smell of food cooking. There were no sounds from the house. Everything was quiet and still.

Peter went in to find out what was wrong. Soon, he came back to Jesus. Peter's mother-in-law was sick in bed. She felt terrible. She was so sick that Peter was very worried about her.

Jesus went to the sick lady's room. He smiled at her. He laid his hands on her head and prayed. The lady felt better. She did not feel sick any more. She smiled at Jesus and thanked him. Then, she hurried to start dinner. She promised Jesus and his friends the best dinner they ever ate!

Soon, the dinner was ready. Jesus and his friends were now very hungry. They smelled the food cooking. They looked forward to a good meal. But just as the food was put on the table, they heard noise outside. Word had gotten around that Jesus was at Peter's house.

A large crowd of people had gathered outside the house. There were blind people, crippled people, and people on stretchers. All these sick people were calling for Jesus to come and help them.

Jesus was hungry, but he went out to the sick people. He went to each person and spoke. He laid his hands on each one and prayed. He cured all the sick people.

Now, Jesus was not only very hungry, but he was very tired. It was dark now. It had been a long hard day. Jesus ate quickly and went to sleep.

Jesus slept only a few hours. Very early the next morning, Jesus got up and left the house. While the others were sleeping, Jesus went off to a quiet place and prayed to his Father.

This was a day in the life of Jesus. Now we know more about him. Now we know that Jesus always helped people, even when he was tired and sleepy and hungry.