

Lesson One:

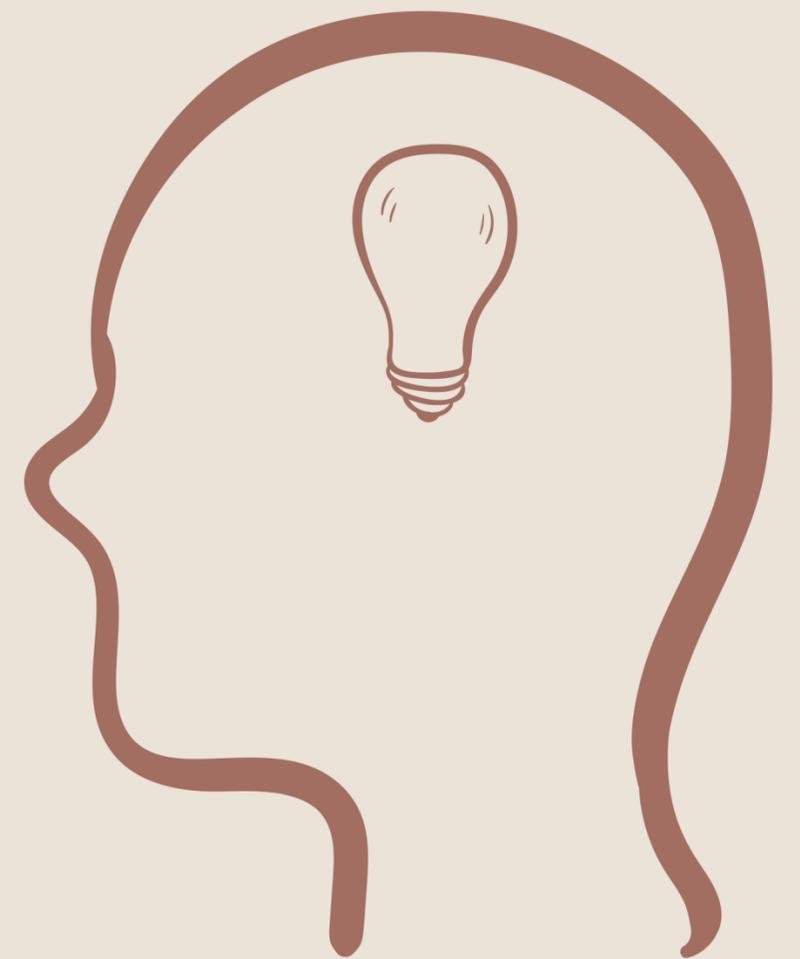
Identity Crisis!



Big Idea:



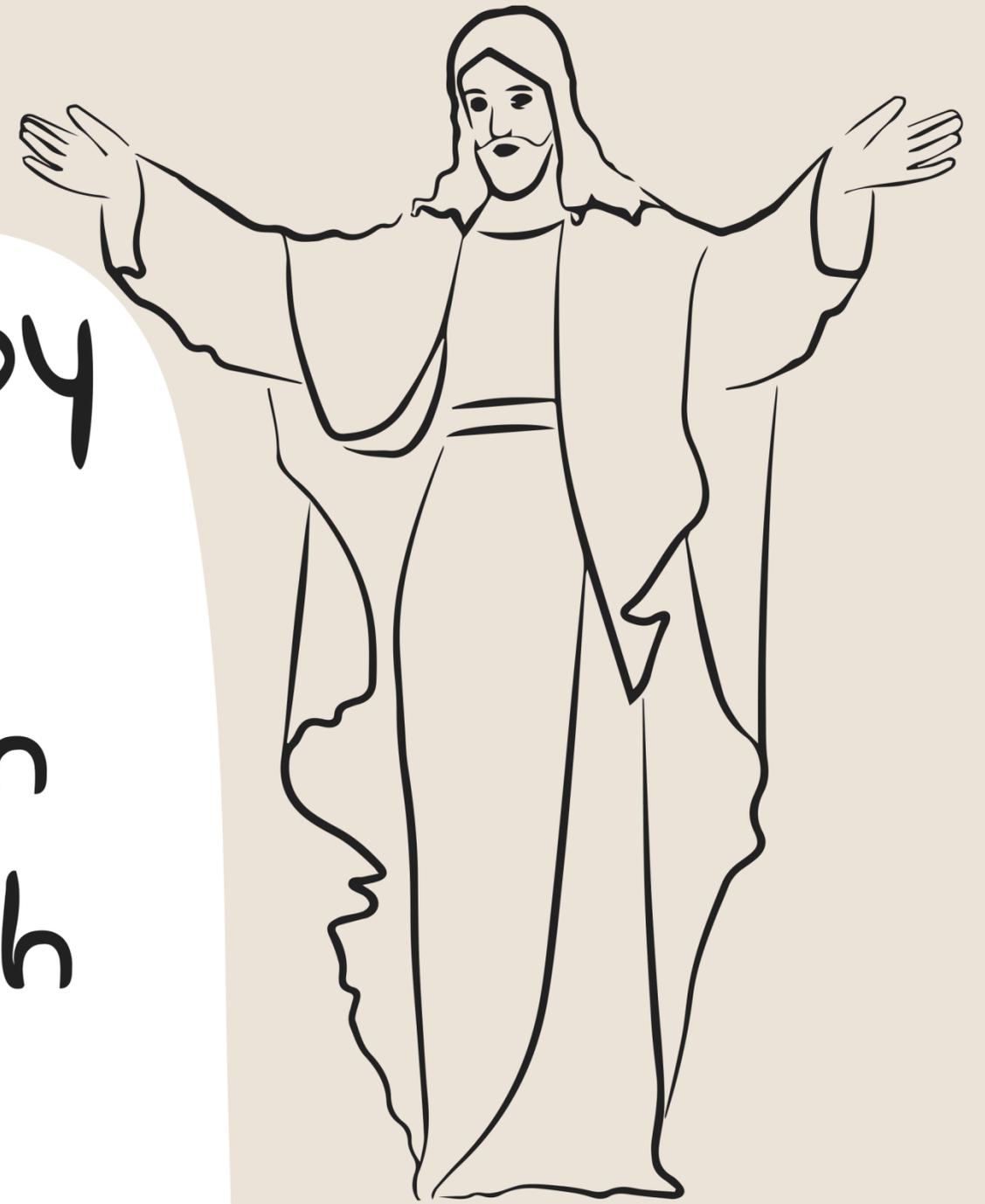
You will never win at life if
you lose with people.





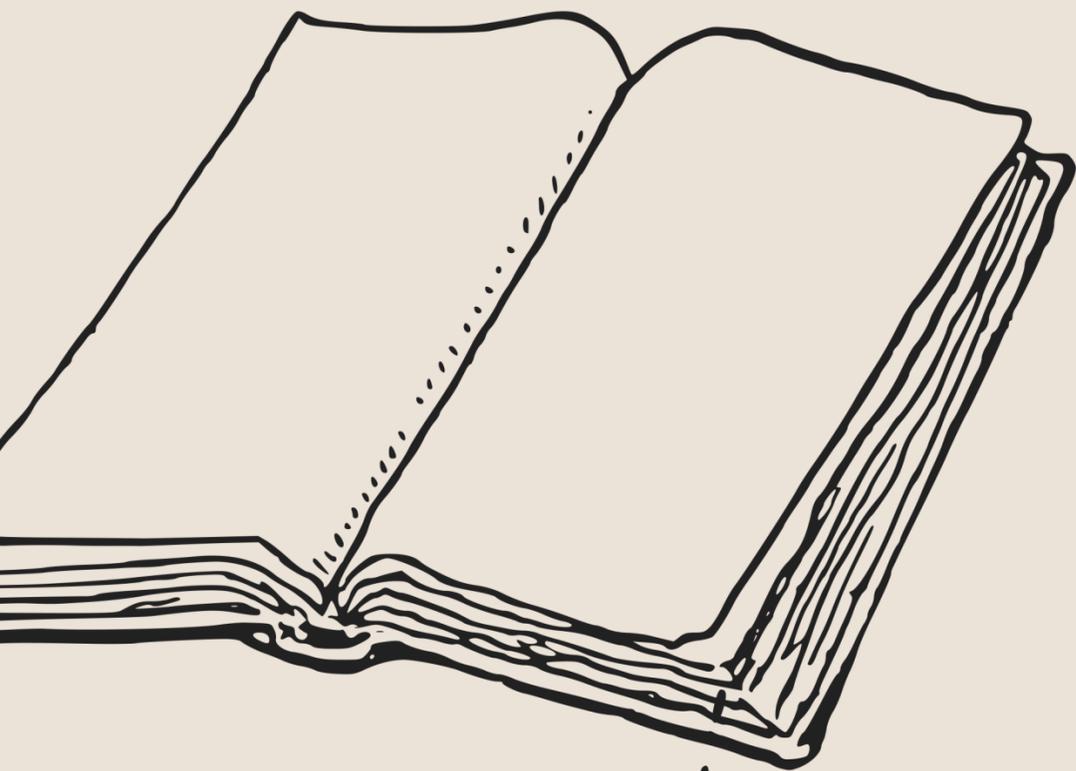
"All the good and all the disappointment in your life point back to relationships in your life."

Jesus answered by saying, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.



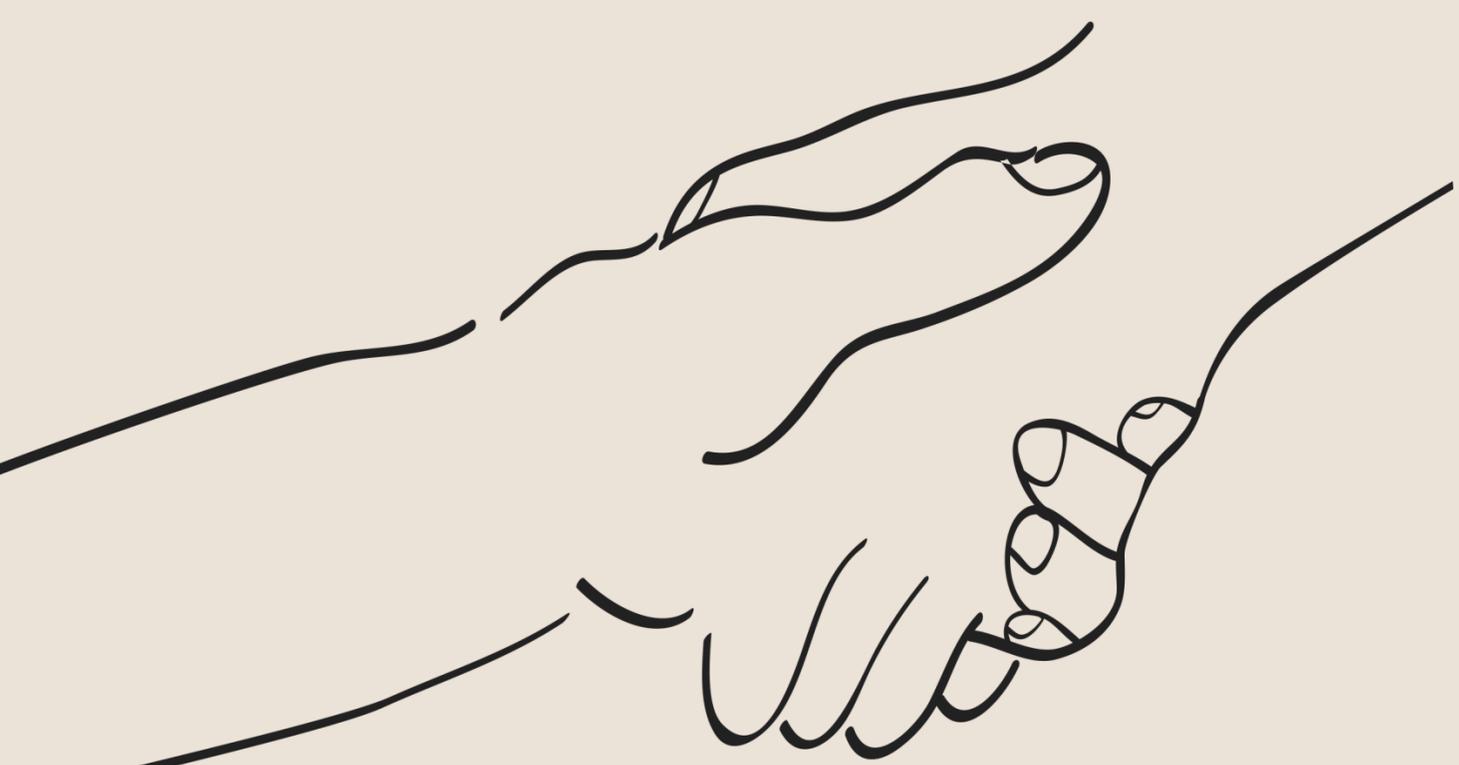
Matthew 23: 34-36

commandments



This is the greatest and most important commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commandments."

Relationships are the powerful ingredient that makes life worth living.



1. I Understand who I Am when
I Understand who Jesus Is.

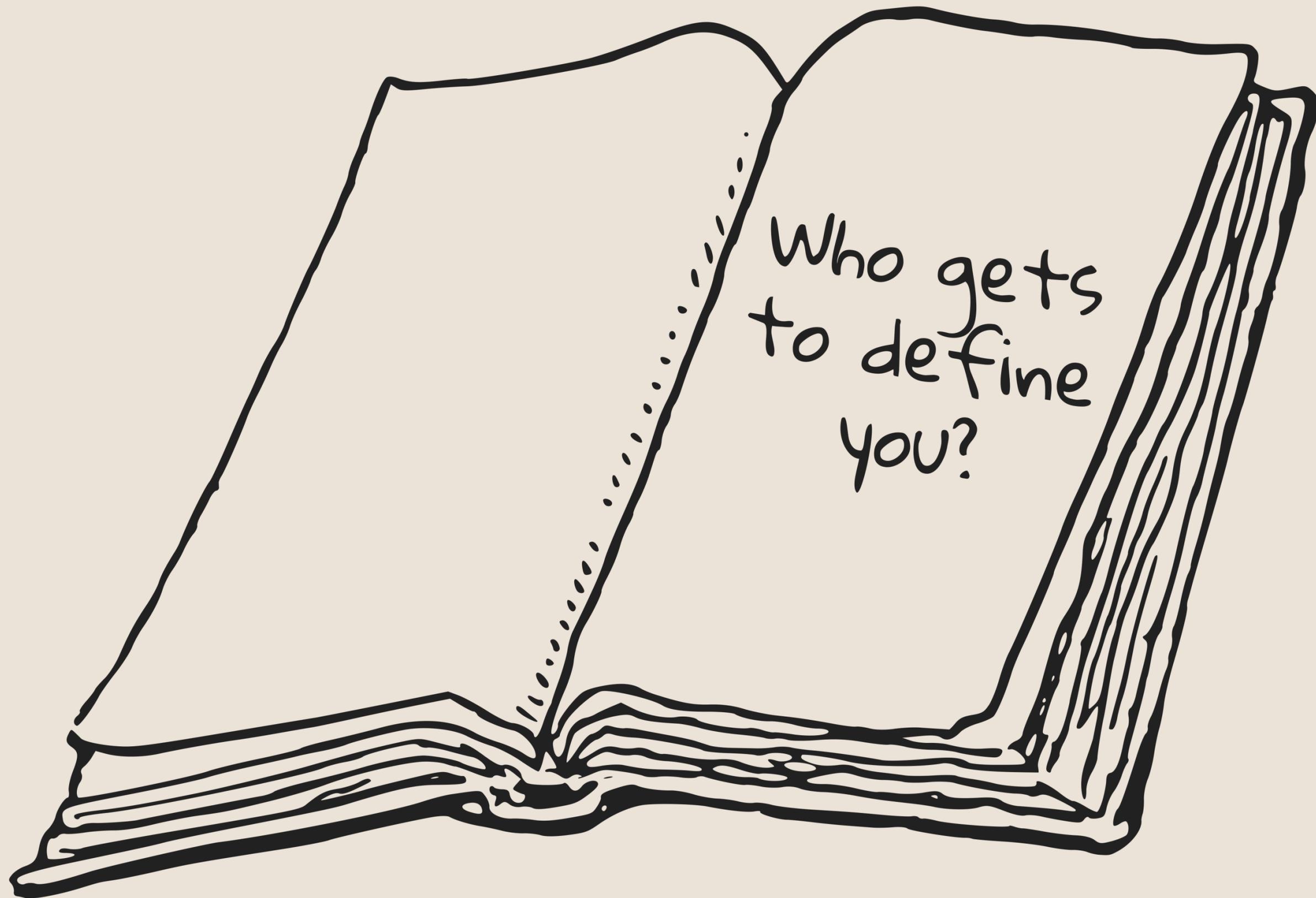
Scripture

Lesson:

Mark 1:1-6

This is the Good News about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God. It began just as the prophet Isaiah had written:
"Look, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, and He will prepare your way. He is a voice shouting in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord's coming! Clear the road for Him!'" This messenger was John the Baptist. He was in the wilderness and preached that people should be baptized to show that they had repented of their sins and turned to God to be forgiven.

All of Judea, including all the people of Jerusalem, went out to see and hear John. And when they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River. His clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey.

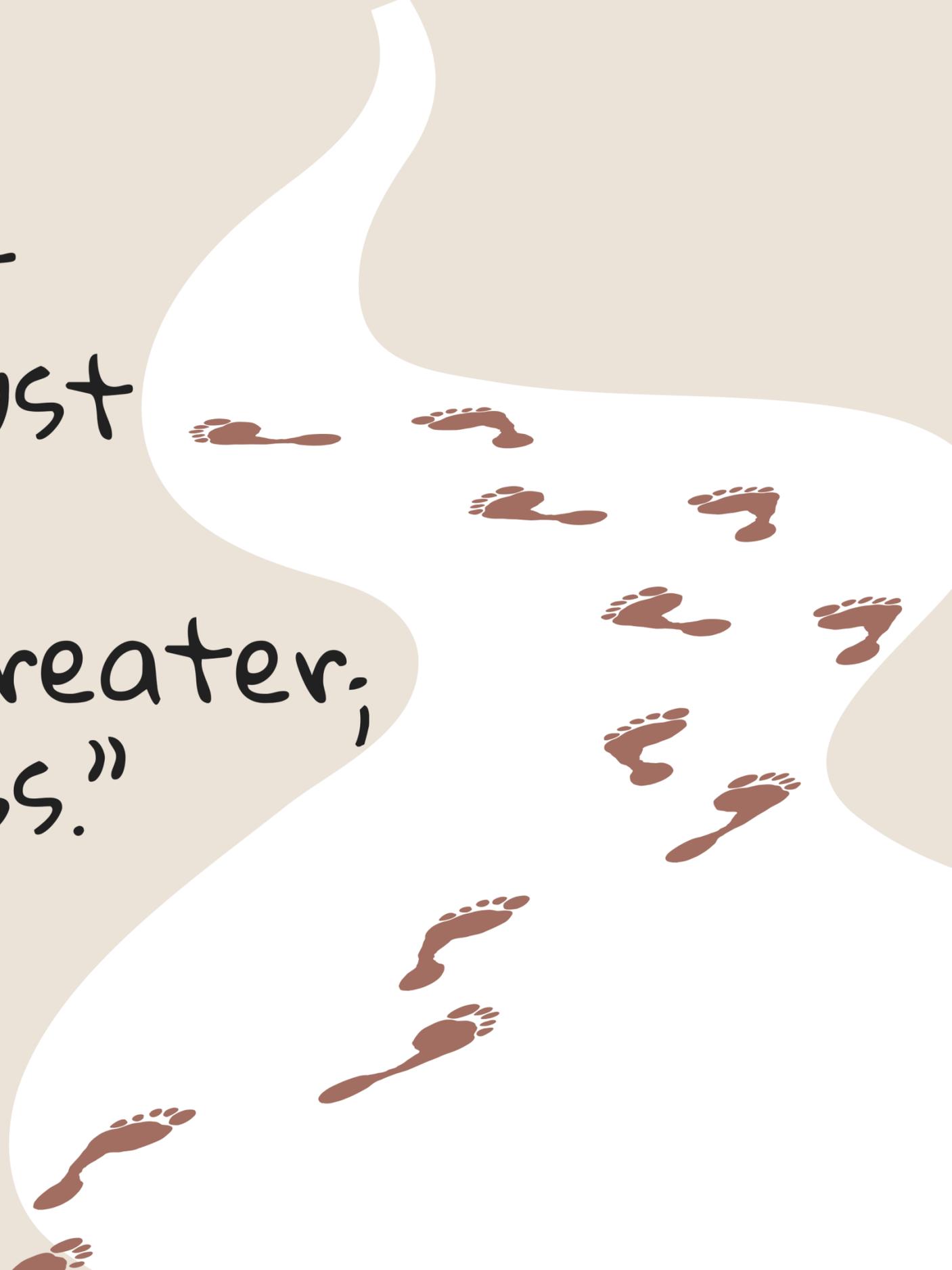


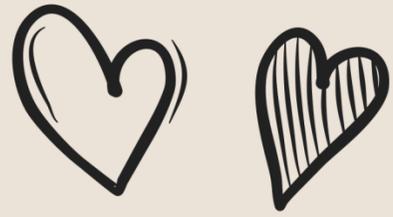
Who gets
to define
you?

Mark 1:7, "Someone is coming soon who is greater than I am - so much greater that I'm not even worthy to stoop down like a slave and untie the straps of His sandals."

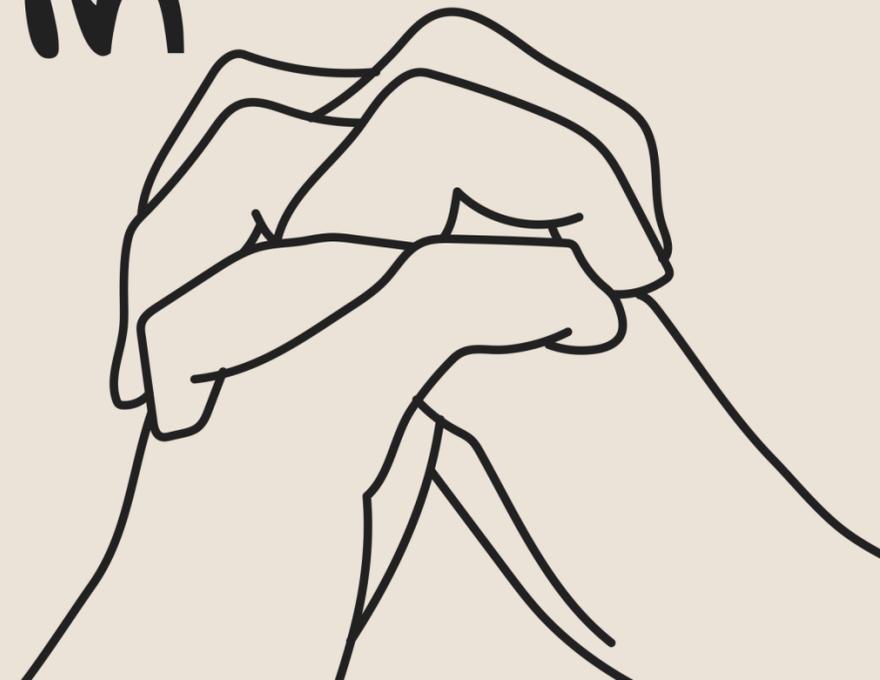
John 3:30, He MUST
increase, but I MUST
decrease.”

He MUST become greater;
I MUST become less.”





2. When My
Identity is Secure,
I Don't have to
Impress or Fit in



"You're

worth

more

than

you

know."



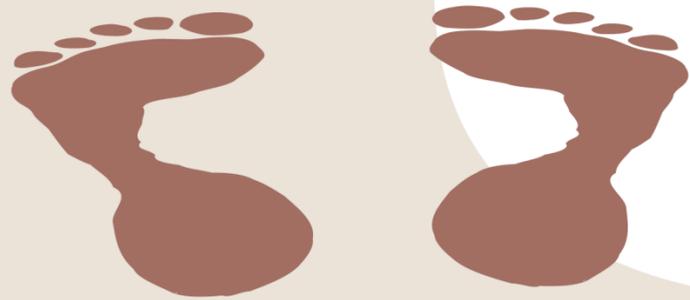
"When you start seeing your worth, you'll find it harder to stay around people who don't."

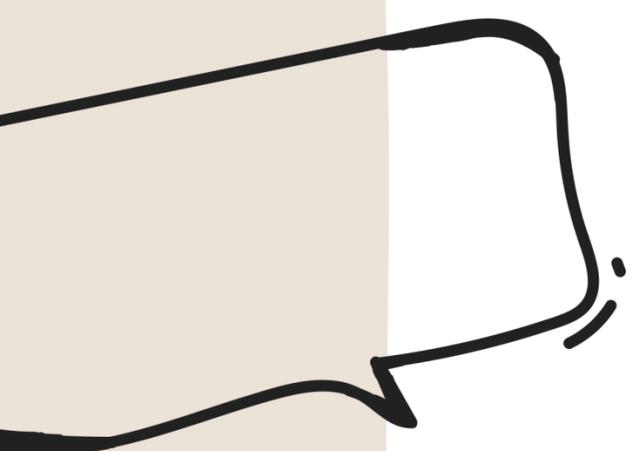
"Be careful who you pretend to be. You might forget who you are."



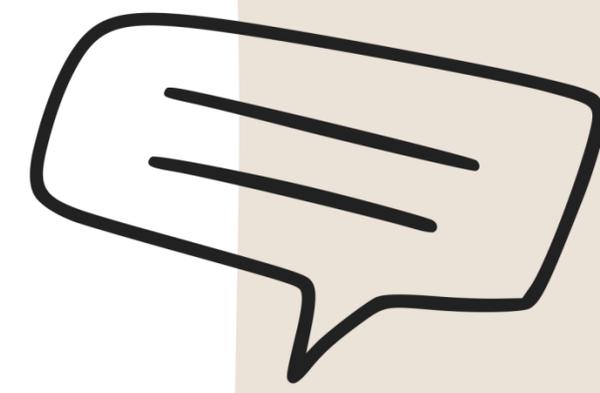
Mark
6:27-29

So he (King Herod) immediately sent an executioner to the prison to cut off John's head and bring it to him.





The soldier beheaded John in the prison, brought his head on a tray, and gave it to the girl, who took it to her mother. When John's disciples heard what had happened, they came to get his body and buried it in a tomb.



3. When I see Myself the way God sees Me, it will change the way I see Others.



God will change our perspective on how we see people if we truly love Jesus.

"You are an eagle. You belong to
the sky. Stretch forth your
wings and fly."

