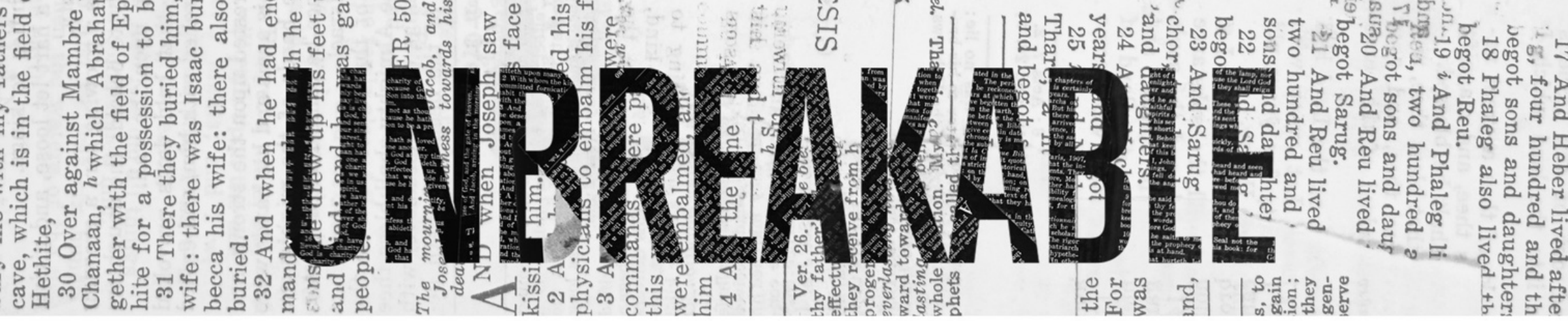


Jesus grew in wisdom and stature and in favor [in relationship] with God and with man.



**Jesus grew in His ability to
touch people's lives.**



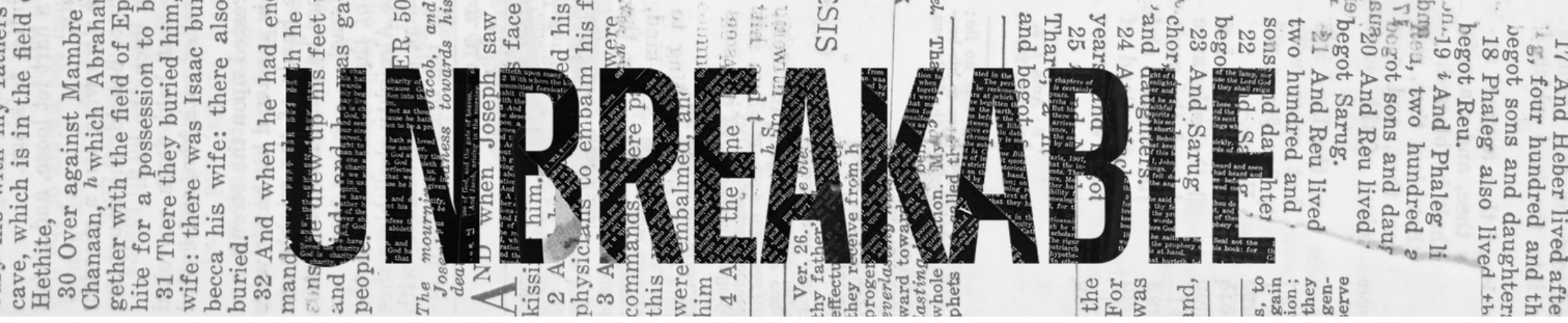
Jesus grew in His ability to love
others. Jesus grew in His ability
to make a difference
in who people were.

He touched all those lives and
made a difference in those lives.

What made Him that kind of person?

He was *humble*.

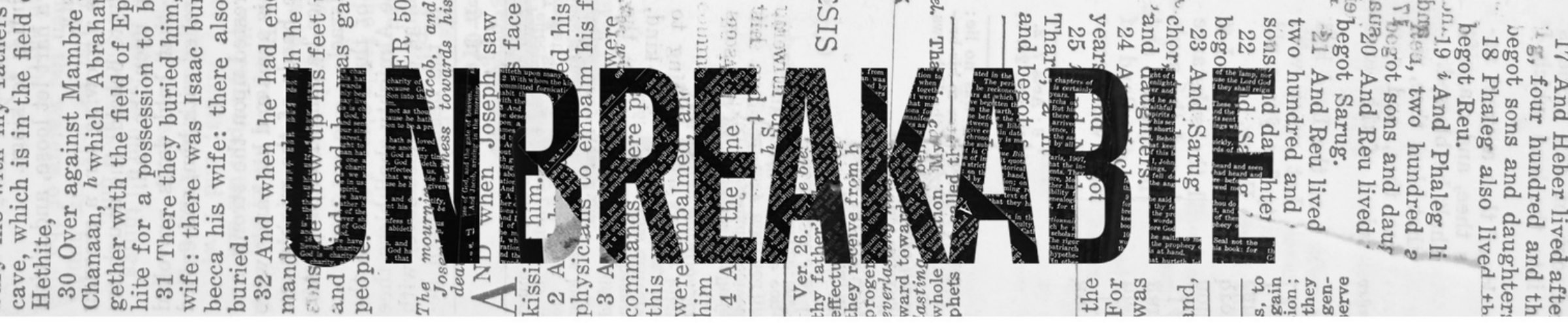
He was *healer*.



He was *accepting*.

He was *forgiving*.

He wasn't afraid to be alone



Jesus often slipped away to be alone so that He could pray.



Jesus always had the right word
at the right time, the pattern that
He shows us that we need in our
lives is this ability to be alone.

Jesus knew that one of the keys to having great relationships with other people was having a great relationship with God.



Very early in the morning while it was still dark Jesus got up, left the house, went to a solitary place and He prayed.

MARK 1:36 - 37

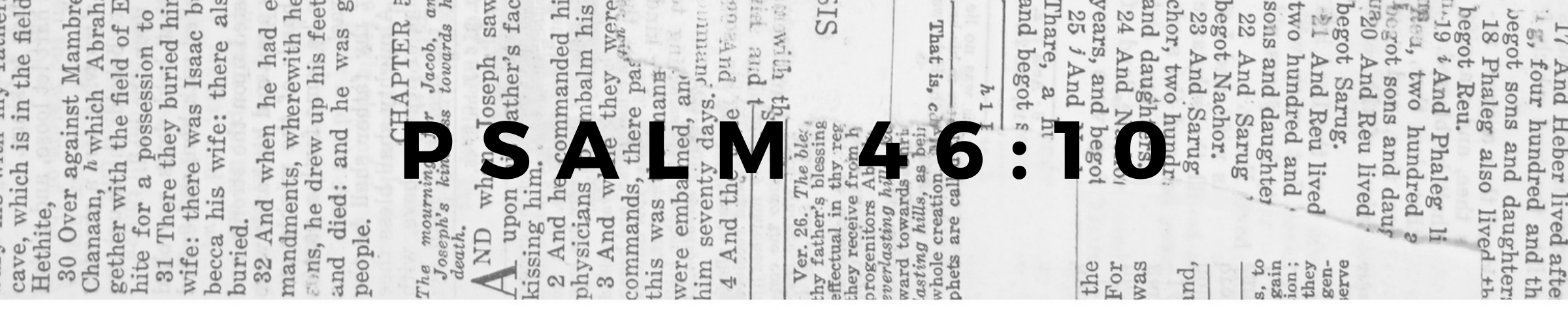
Peter and his companions went to look for him and when they found Him they exclaimed, 'Jesus, everyone is looking for You.'

17 And Heber lived after

“Let’s go somewhere else to the nearby villages and preach there also. That’s why I have come.”

Jesus' ability to see where He
needed to go and when He
needed to go was empowered by
these times alone with God.

Be still and know that I am God



GALATIANS 5: 22-26

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by

CALATIAN 5: 22-26

the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

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"Busyness steals from relationships. It substitutes shallow frenzy for deep friendship. It feeds the ego but starves the inner man. It fills a calendar but fractures a family. It cultivates a program that plows under priorities. Many a church boasts about its active program:

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“Something for every night of the week for everybody.” What a shame! With good intentions the local assembly can create the very atmosphere it was designed to curb. –

The Discipline of Solitude and Silence is the voluntary abstention of company and of conversation for the purpose of becoming a real person, a real person worth relating to.

“Let the little children come to Me.”



Why not just make prayer for
people a part of
our everyday lives?

**He was purposeful and yet
unhurried in His contacts
with people**

Jesus didn't see His contacts with
people as interruptions

Jesus had this ability to not see those contacts as interruptions.

He has a power to really see that
people is where He's going to
make the difference.

He was purposeful yet unhurried

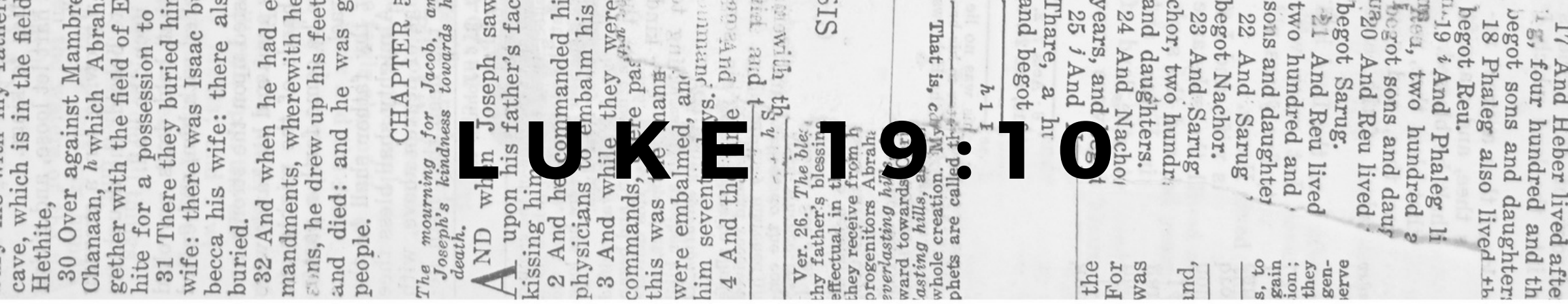
**He allowed people the freedom
to make the wrong decision**

**He often took time for those
that others ignored**

**He often ignored those who
insisted on His time.**

Sometimes there are people who
insist on our time for their sake,
for their benefit and
not for God's benefit.

**He didn't allow people to
distract Him from
God's purpose.**

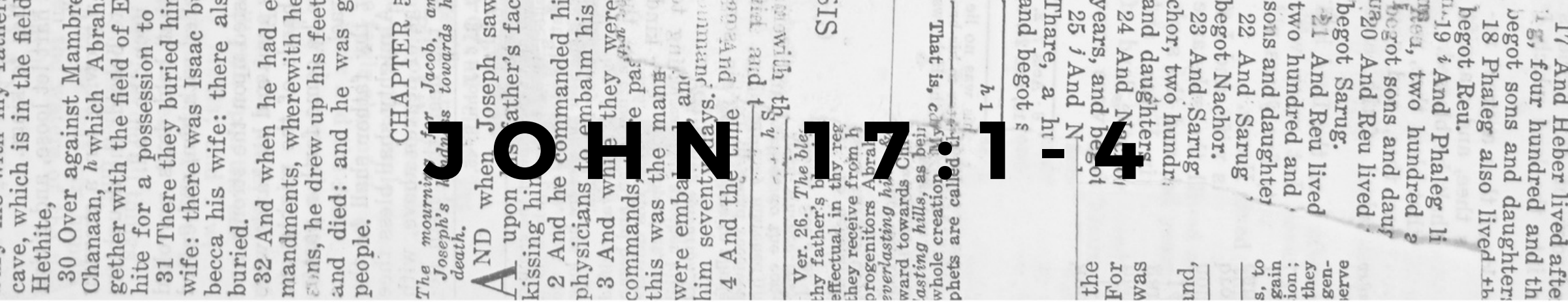


LUKE 19:10

I have come into the world to seek and to save that which was lost.

EZEKIEL 34:12

As a shepherd looks for his scattered sheep when he is among the flock, so I will look for My flock. I will rescue them from all the places to which they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness.



Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you

JOHN 17:6-8

I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them...

JOHN 17:15-19

Just as I didn't join the world's ways. I'm not asking that you take them out of the world But that you guard them from the Evil One. They are no more defined by the world Than I am defined by the world. Make them holy—consecrated—with the truth; Your word is consecrating truth. In the same way that you gave me

JOHN 17:15-19

a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world. I'm consecrating myself for their sakes, So they'll be truth-consecrated in their mission.

**He didn't allow His focus on
God's purpose to keep Him from
meeting people's needs,
because He knew that people
were his purpose**

**He broke through relationship
barriers quickly.**

He encountered *Prejudice*

He encountered the
belligerent (argumentative)

[illegible]

**He trusted others with things He
could have done
more easily Himself.**