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— Mark 7:31–37



## 1. Jesus <u>meets</u> us <u>where</u> we are at.

And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue.

— Mark 7:32–33

## 2. Jesus *feels* our *pain*.

And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened."

— Mark 7:34

## 3. And yet, Jesus is willing to *invest himself*.

And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

— Mark 7:37