

# CALL IN A PROFESSIONAL

## SCRIPTURE:

*Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentle spirit be known to all men. The Lord is near. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:4-7)*

## MATERIALS LIST:

- (1) leaky faucet
- (1) phone book
- (1) phone

## MAIN MESSAGE:

There are times when life hits us with something that we think we can handle, and after trying and trying, we realize we cannot fix it. This is when we realize that God is the only one for the job. Going to God in prayer and giving him all our worries and cares is something we need to do on a consistent basis so that we understand how truly powerful He is and how weak we are.

**SONG:** "None of Self and All of Thee"

## LESSON:

It is human nature to feel so prideful and happy when we've accomplished a job around the house that maybe we thought would be too hard. It is also a humbling experience to try and try and try and never figure out why we can't accomplish a certain job.

I have an acquaintance, who shall remain nameless, who had an issue with a leaky faucet. He told me that one day he tried a simple fix and thought he had fixed it. He woke up the next morning to a puddle of water. He decided to try something else and again he woke up the next morning to a small pond on his bathroom floor. He tried to fix it on his own several times before finally giving up. He eventually called in a professional plumber and let him handle it. The plumber fixed the leaky faucet in no time and the man hasn't had an issue with the leaky faucet again, to my knowledge.

What a great lesson to learn from this story! How often do we think that we are smart enough or strong enough to handle everything on our own? I know that I tend to do it from time to time when life throws me a curve ball. Why don't we just give it over to God in prayer and in supplication? That is a question we all need to ask ourselves. When we make our requests known to God, we are promised that the peace of God, which we can't even begin to comprehend, will guard our hearts and minds, and our anxiousness will be lifted from us. When we make our requests known to a plumber, he fixes the issue. When we make our requests known to God, the issue may not get fixed like we'd like, but God is the professional, and sometimes simply calling in the professional for peace of mind is all we really need to do.

**PRAYER:** Forgive us for trying to handle life ourselves, and be with us as we learn to give over everything to You.