



Just One Touch

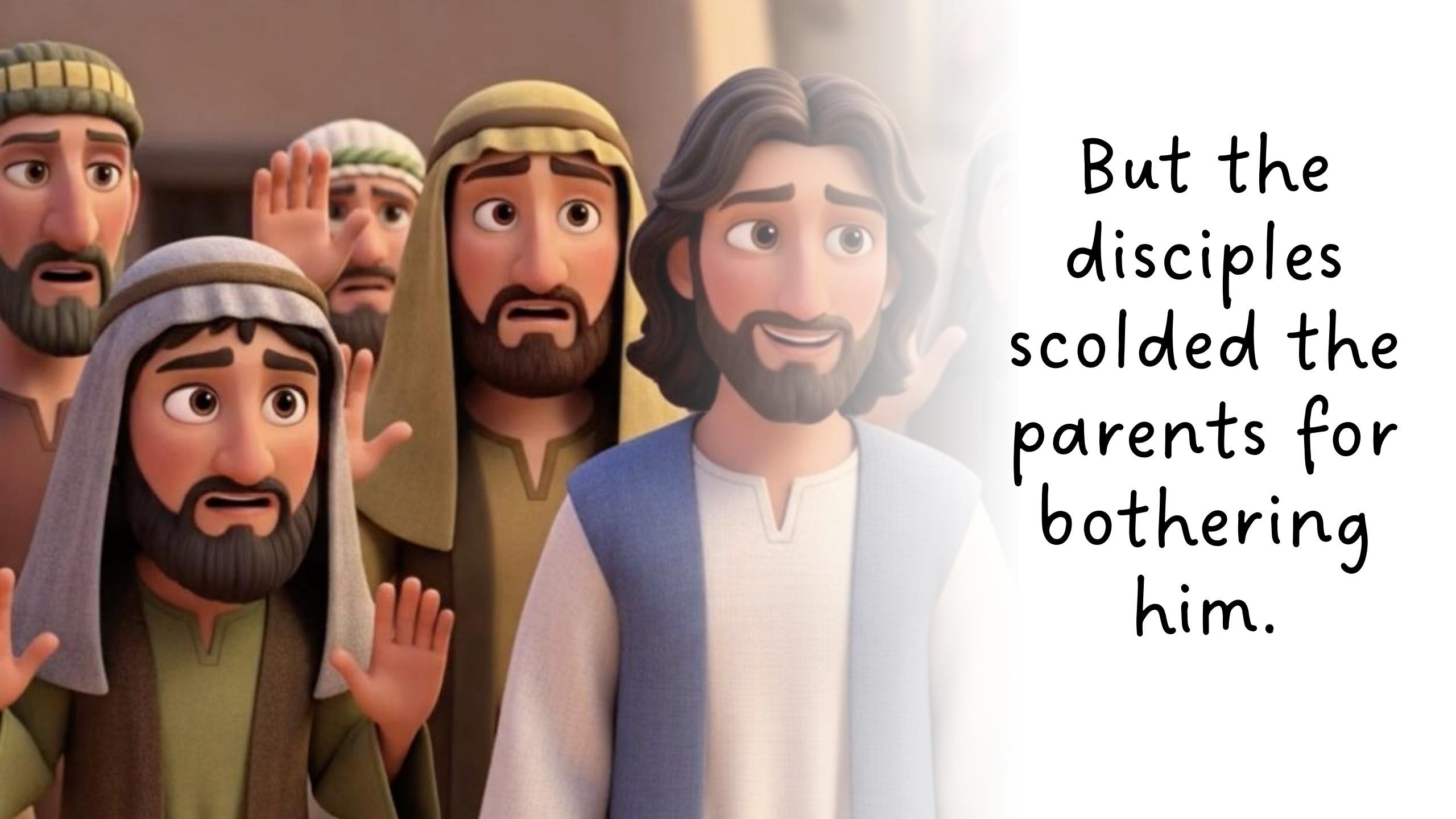


The Power of A Single
Moment

Mark 10:13-16



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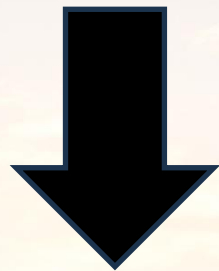
An animated scene featuring Jesus with long dark hair and a beard, wearing a white robe with a blue sash. He is smiling and looking towards a group of diverse children. They are gathered under the shade of a large, leafy tree. The background shows a soft, hazy landscape with hills under a warm, golden light, suggesting a peaceful outdoor setting.

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ACTION



REACTION



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A father should:

1. Provide for his family (1 Tim 5:8)
2. Instruct his children (Prov. 1:8)
3. Encourage his children (1 Thess 2:11)
4. Raise his children in the nurture of the Lord without causing them to lose heart (Eph. 6:4)
5. Discipline his children (Heb 12:7)
6. Love his wife (Eph 5:33)

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*When Jesus saw what was
happening, He was angry
with his disciples
Mark 10:14.*



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Aganakteó (ἀγανακτέω)

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Root words agan 'much' and achthos 'grief'

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To be greatly afflicted, to be indignant.

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Mark 8:33

Mark 9:5

Mark 9:34

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He said to them, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children. I tell you the truth, anyone who doesn't receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it." Mark 10:15

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How children respond:

- 1.Children take adults at their word
- 2.Children relentlessly asked questions and are very honest.
- 3.Children fully depend on their adults and trust that they will give them what they need.
- 4.Children turn to their adult for comfort.
- 5.Children are full of awe and wonder, and show their joy.

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Someone who has childlike faith:

1. Take God at his word; recognizing that scripture is completely reliable completely trustworthy and uncompromising.
2. Relentlessly pursue God in prayer (Luke 11: 89)
3. Fully depend on God-they are nothing without Him
4. Find security and comfort in God's arms.
5. Truly understand who God is, which brings deep humility, respect and joy.

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*Then he took the children in His
arms and placed His hands on
their heads and blessed them*
Mark 10:16



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REFLECTIONS:

- **Identifying Barriers:** Are there people I secretly look down on or judge as "unready" or "unworthy" to receive God's love, and how does that match Jesus' open arms in this story?
- **Admitting My Need:** If a child represents total dependence, what is the hardest thing for me to admit I cannot do alone in my spiritual life right now?

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- **Rediscovering Wonder:** When was the last time I approached God with pure wonder, curiosity, and trust, rather than with a list of doubts, demands, or intellectual arguments?
- **Resting in Safety:** Jesus took the children in His arms and blessed them. How can I practice resting quietly in God's presence this week without feeling the need to perform?
- **Blessing our Children:** How often do I pray for the children of TCC?

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