

Jesus said to the deaf man, "Ephphatha!" ("Be opened!")

Mark 7: 31-37

Needing God

A father remembers the last days of his son:

My wife and I were devastated when we learned our oldest son, age 36, had AIDS. He had been "outside" the Church for some time. One day, a nun approached my son about receiving the sacraments. After thinking over the conversation he had with her, he returned to the Church and the sacraments a short time later.

In a conversation we had with him after, he said to us, "AIDS is not the worst thing that happened to me."

We were shocked. We asked what could be worse.

"Needing God, but not believing in God."

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