

Title: **The Story I Am Telling Myself: I Need a Rewrite!**

Slide: Photo of reading to Noa

Slide: Photo — WHERE THE WILD MOMS ARE

Slide: Luke 18:35-43

As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind beggar was sitting beside the road. When he heard the noise of a crowd going past, he asked what was happening. They told him that Jesus the Nazarene was going by. So he began shouting, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

“Be quiet!” the people in front yelled at him.

But he only shouted louder, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

When Jesus heard him, he stopped and ordered that the man be brought to him. As the man came near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?”

“Lord,” he said, “I want to see!”

And Jesus said, “All right, receive your sight! Your faith has healed you.” Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus, praising God. And all who saw it praised God, too.

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Slide: 1. Our Story is Rewritten When We Recognize WHO Jesus Is

Slide: Luke 18:36-38

When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” He called out, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

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“Be quiet!” the people in front yelled to him.

Slide: 2. Our Story Is Rewritten When We Are Annoyingly Persistent

Slide: Luke 18:38-39

So he began shouting, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” “Be quiet!” the people in front yelled at him. But he only shouted louder, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Slide: Luke 18:7

And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night?

Slide: James 5:16

The earnest (fervent) prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results.

Slide: 3. Our Story Is Rewritten When We Come To Jesus Empty-Handed

Slide: Mark 10:49-50

Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called to the blind man, "Cheer up! On your feet! He's calling you." Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus.

Slide: Ephesians 4:21-24

Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy.

Slide: Video—The Jerk

Slide: Luke 18:42-43

And Jesus said, "All right, receive your sight! Your faith has healed you." Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus, praising God. And all who saw it praised God, too.

Slide: The White Rainbow Project

Slide: Photo—Mahendri

Slide: 2 Photos side by side (if possible) Nani with Asha, Nani w/Riley

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