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## HEART CHECK

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## THE MANDATE

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## THE MEDITATION

Lord, I did it again – I drove around the parking lot searching for a convenient spot. Inside, I looked for a soft pew. The words – hardness, soldier, endure – are not my kind of terms. They don't build Sunday attendance. We see the church as a performance – the choir, the special music, the praise band. Even the preacher is rated as a good or bad speaker. You want us to be a force. We prefer to be an audience. You want to deploy us as an army.

Sadly, our churches are not filled with disciplined soldiers willing to sacrifice and ready to obey. Like David, in a season of war, we have decided to exempt ourselves and stay home. His choice was deadly. It brought heartbreak to him and judgment on the nation (II Sam. 11:1-5). In a season of warfare, he acted like he was not in war. He let others go and fight – he chose the softer life. Repressing the discipline of a soldier, he gave in to carnal delights. The choice became a stain on his record. It hurled him down a path of deception and murder, denial and cover-up. It affected his credibility causing a national scandal.

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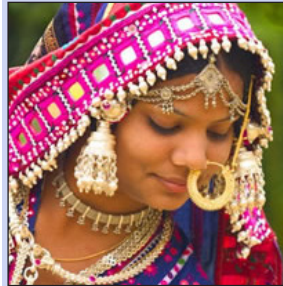
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**INTERCEDE FOR...**

**MONDAY**

**Finding the Unreached**

The Banjara are the largest gypsy group in India and are known as the root gypsies of the earth. Although we usually associate the word "gypsy" with bands of fortune tellers traveling in colorful caravans from place to place, this is no longer the case with the Banjara. Now, most of them have settled down to farming and raising cattle or grain.

**TUESDAY**

**Nurturing New Believers**

Pray that the Banjara, rejected by society, would feel accepted by God.

**WEDNESDAY**

**Investing**

Many Banjara live in poverty. Usually the only clothes a gypsy owns are the ones on his back. An unsanitary lifestyle has created many physical needs among them. The Banjara do not have a written language, so depending on whatever state of India they are in, if they read, it must be in that states' script.

**THURSDAY**

**Sending**

Pray for witnessing opportunities to Banjara children.

**FRIDAY**

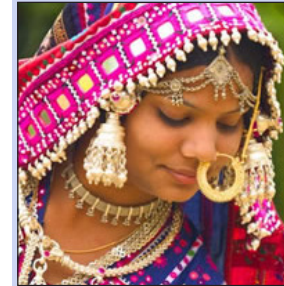
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