



Sermon Notes

Season of Healing
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Mark 9:14-29

¹⁴ When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. ¹⁵ As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him.

¹⁶ "What are you arguing with them about?" he asked.

¹⁷ A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. ¹⁸ Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not."

¹⁹ "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me."

²⁰ So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.

²¹ Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?"

"From childhood," he answered. ²² "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us."

²³ "If you can?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes."

²⁴ Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"

²⁵ When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again."

²⁶ The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

²⁸ After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?"

²⁹ He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."

God made us ordinary so we would rely on Him to do the extraordinary!

God wants to invade our ordinary with His extraordinary!

Ephesians 6:10

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

2 Corinthians 10:3-4

³ For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. ⁴ The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.

The weapons I fight with are extraordinary! They provide extraordinary results!



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We are called to resist focusing on what is seen.

Hebrews 11:1

¹ Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

We lie to God in prayer if we don't trust Him after prayer.

Faith is taking God at His word.

Romans 8:24

²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have?

When we operate in faith and hope, God can take us out the ordinary and into His extraordinary!

God is calling us to be unwavering in our faith and hope in Him. He is about to do something extraordinary, and we must pull ourselves out of the ordinary or we will miss it!

Nothing is over until God says it's over.

Anything can happen, and God can do anything!

The power of God can change any situation.

It took the father laying down his ordinary in order to receive God's extraordinary.

The more time we spend in God's presence, the more His presence and power change us!

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