

# All Things Are Possible

Mark 9:14-29

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## 1. A child's need

- a. As Christians, we embrace two realities:
  - i. Everyone is made in God's image
  - ii. All of us are broken, fallen, damaged
- b. Two considerations
  - i. Centuries
    1. The devil was in the 1st century, and is still around in 21st
    2. The devil may change tactics, but mission is the same
  - ii. Dimensions
    1. We are body, mind, and spirit. A complexity of interconnections
    2. Our bodies are broken; the spiritual battle is real
    3. We must stand firm in the faith

## 2. A father's faith

- a. An exhausted father
- b. "Teacher, I brought my son to you..."
- c. "O faithless generation...Bring him to me."
- d. A father's shame
  - i. John 9: "Who sinned? Whose fault is it?"
  - ii. Exodus 4: "Who makes him ....blind? Is it not I, the Lord?"
- e. A Good Shepherd's care
- f. A father's plea: "Have compassion on us..."
- g. Jesus' ministry was the inauguration of His Kingdom, not the consummation. "We do not yet see all things subject to Christ."
- h. A father's healing

## 3. A Savior who prays

- a. The disciples failures led them to question themselves
- b. This kind only driven out by prayer
  - i. Prayer is a lifestyle
  - ii. Prayer is dependency on God
  - iii. Prayer is abiding in Christ
- c. Jesus lived in perfect communion with the Father
  - i. Jesus believed all things are possible with God
  - ii. Jesus surrender his will to God's
  - iii. Jesus learned obedience through his suffering
- d. All things are made new