

# Lesson 9

## CHAPTER 9, LISTEN TO HIM

Time is drawing closer for Jesus to go to Jerusalem and be crucified, and he knows it. As you read chapter 9 he is very clear about this to his disciples, but they don't get it. In this chapter, we see Jesus sending out his disciples to perform the same miracles he has been performing. For a more detailed account see Matthew 10.

1. Read Luke 9:1-17. Why do you think Jesus said to his disciples, "You give them something to eat"? What did the disciples then give Jesus? What did he do with it? How do you relate this to our work done for the kingdom of God?

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2. Read Luke 9:18-27. Who do you say Jesus is? What did Jesus tell Peter about his revelation in Matthew 16:17? How has the Father revealed Jesus to you?

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3. Read Luke 9:28-36 with Matthew 17:1-8 and Mark 9:1-7. When you think about who Jesus is, do you consider his glory that was revealed in these verses? What was the Father's instruction to Peter, James and John?

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4. The last verses of Luke 9 give us some confusing dialogue, particularly in verse 41. Why do you think Jesus said this? Do you think it has something to do with the attitude of his disciples that we read about in verses 46-56? How do you see the attitude of pride, control, and lack of mercy revealed in these verses? What else do you see in these verses? Remember, Jesus has now set his face toward Jerusalem, and the twelve are those he is counting on to proclaim the gospel.

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5. What do the final verses of Luke 9 reveal about commitment to Jesus and the kingdom of God?

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**APPLICATION:** Let's do a little soul searching this week. Where is your faith? I know mine has been in all the categories at one time or another. Write out a prayer asking the Lord to increase your faith.

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**PRAYER:** Loving Father, you lavishly spread seeds of faith throughout the world, into every nook and cranny of our globe. Use us as lights in this world that needs to see your love and mercy (Luke 8:16-18). Give us courage to step out and be your witnesses when you open a door for us. We stand ready to do your bidding, Holy Father. May we be the presence of Jesus to whomever you put in our path. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.