

## **OHC G2 Week #3 Spring Block 2024**

**QUICK REVIEW:** Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, convicted or confused you?

**MY STORY:** Tell of a time in your life when you were trying to accomplish something but you ended up failing miserably. Why do you think you failed? What did you learn?

**DIGGING DEEPER:** **Read:** Mark 9:14-29

How did witnessing the Transfiguration prepare the disciples for this next lesson? How did this lesson bring them down to earth from their mountaintop experience?

Why do you think Jesus seemed frustrated with the people?

What is one thing we can ask God for to strengthen our faith?

Is our generation more or less of a "faithless generation" than the one Jesus confronted? In general, what causes people to change over the generations?

How does turning to Jesus with questions and doubts demonstrate at least a small faith rather than having no faith at all? What would no faith look like?

What did the disciples do after their failure? How can failure be made profitable?

**Read** Acts 5:27-32

Given the seriousness of the charges the Sanhedrin made against the apostles, what could they have done to make it all go away? Why didn't they do it?

What series of events caused Peter to go from denying Christ 3 times (John 18) to boldly proclaiming the gospel to people who had the power to end their lives?

Based on this account, what will you do to become more bold for Christ?

**MEMORIZE ONE:** "I have hidden Your Word in my heart that I might not sin against You."

Isaiah 26:3, Isaiah 40:31, Matthew 11:28, John 16:33

**TAKING IT HOME:** Do you have any additional thoughts or take-aways?

**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.”

**Acts 5:27-32** 27 The apostles were brought in and made to appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. 28 “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name,” he said. “Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man’s blood.” 29 Peter and the other apostles replied: “We must obey God rather than human beings! 30 The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead—whom you killed by hanging him on a cross. 31 God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might bring Israel to repentance and forgive their sins. 32 We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

**Isaiah 26:3** You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.

**Isaiah 40:31** but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

**Matthew 11:28** "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

**John 16:33** "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."