

#### SERIES SUMMARY

- Wilderness Work is a journey through Numbers 11–14, where
- Israel's wilderness wanderings reveal not just external challenges.
- but internal battles of the heart. In the quiet, desolate places—what
- Scripture calls the *erēmos*—God exposes the attitudes that hold us
- back: complaining, criticism, doubt, and rebellion. Yet in the
- very same wilderness, He invites us to deeper transformation.
- This series will explore how God
- wants to do sacred work within us, leading us from grumbling to
- gratitude, from cynicism to love, from fear to faith, and from
- rebellion to submission.

#### ICEBREAKER

- Which is scarier and why:
  - Public speaking

surrounds us, we can learn to trust.

- Rough airplane ride
- Spider crawling on you

## SCRIPTURE

- Read about a father'suncertain pursuit of faith
- in Mark 9:14-29.





## **LEARNING FROM HIS STORY**

- 1. How is it possible to have belief and unbelief at the same time?
- 2. Why is prayer able to move us from fear to faith?
- 3. Why do you think our faith is so important to Jesus? In the gospels, he is often stirred by people's faith or lack of faith.

# **EXAMINING OUR OWN STORY**

- 4. What are the common causes of unbelief in our culture?
- 5. Can you share more specifically about a hangup that has hindered your own faith, now or in the past?
- 6. What's a hard thing you've faced that actually ended up growing your faith?

## **WRITING A NEW STORY**

- 7. If prayer can move us from fear to faith, what may need to change about our current prayer habits?
- 8. What are some ways we commonly attempt to avoid our fears instead of facing them?

**REFLECTION**: One area where I'm struggling to find faith is \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### TAKING TIME TO PRAY

Let's take prayer requests for current situations or areas of our lives where we desire more faith. Let's take a moment to pray for that!

