*Mark: Our Suffering Servant*Have Faith In God ~ Pastor Dre



Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step.

Pray for God to working through your discussion to further transform you into the likeness of Christ.

Key Scripture: Mark 11:1-25

Key Points: While Jesus points out the great object of faith and reminds of the opportunities of faith. He also mentions some Obstacles to faith. While faith in God is powerful and allows us to experience the incredible and receive the impossible, that faith can be hindered. There are many other obstacles to prayer in the Bible, that are not mentioned, but I want to focus on the three in verses 23-25.

- 1. Unbelief
- 2. Selfishness
- 3. Un-forgiveness

Group Question. Think back to the message. What sticks out?

Big Idea of the Message: In the incoming Kingdom of God, destruction of the old order is cause for hope, not despair, because god is faithful to build something better.

Start talking.

- What has made the temple no longer function as it is supposed to?
- How does Jesus's authority over the tree and the temple impact the way we worship?
- What in our church or community needs to die in order for something better to be resurrected?

Start thinking. Jesus tells the disciples to "Have faith in God." They just heard that their whole center of faith and forgiveness is going away.

- What will they do? Will they have faith? Jesus is pointing them to his work on the cross (only 4 days away). To have faith in God is to have faith in salvation through Jesus (not the temple). Do you?
- Having faith in God means we help each other to confront our idols. Can you identify any idols that have crept into your life (consumerism, cultural superiority, comfort, traditions, etc.)?
- Do you have faith in God's saving work through Jesus' death on the cross? Do you believe that this saving work brings God's love, and presence, and goodness to you? What makes this faith difficult?

Start sharing.

- In light of what we have heard today, how's your faith?
- Are you walking in faith, believing God for the unseen?
- Are you looking to Him to move some big mountains in your life? Are you seeking His will for every situation you face?
- Who do you need to forgive?

Start Praying:

- Share some ways that you can pray for each other regarding the challenges and blessings of daily life that you are currently experiencing.
- Specifically pray that God would shape a heart of forgiveness in the members of your City Group.
- Pray for God's unique provision for our Church Movement expansion.

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