

*I do believe,
help my unbelief*

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And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.”

MARK 9:14-29 (ESV)

And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” And Jesus said to him, ““If you can”! All things are possible for one who believes.” Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, *“I believe; help my unbelief!”*”

MARK 9:14-29 (ESV)

And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

MARK 9:14-29 (ESV)

**The Lord saw it, and it displeased him
that there was no justice.
He saw that there was no man,
and wondered that there was no one to intercede;
then his own arm brought him salvation,
and his righteousness upheld him.
He put on righteousness as a breastplate,
and a helmet of salvation on his head;
he put on garments of vengeance for clothing,
and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak.
According to their deeds, so will he repay,
wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies;
to the coastlands he will render repayment.
So they shall fear the name of the Lord from the west,
and his glory from the rising of the sun;
for he will come like a rushing stream,
which the wind of the Lord drives.**

ISAIAH 59:15-19

**“Our war is not against flesh and blood,
but against the powers”**

EPHESIANS 6:11

Jesus understood this perfectly.



**The Lord says to my Lord:
“Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool.”**

PSALM 110



**The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy
the works of the devil.**

1 JOHN 3:8



Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil.

HEBREWS 2:14



He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

COLOSSIANS 2:15



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1 CORINTHIANS 15:24-27



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1 CORINTHIANS 15:24-27



**“The God of peace will soon
crush Satan under your feet.”**

ROMANS 16:20



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MARK 9:14



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MARK 9:22-24



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Point 1:
Faith engages with God in
the circumstances of life

Point 2:

Faith is coming to Jesus in

prayer

“Teacher, I brought my son to you.”

MARK 9:17



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MARK 9:28-29



And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor respected man. And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Give me justice against my adversary.’ For a while he refused, but afterward he said to himself, ‘Though I neither fear God nor respect man, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will give her justice, so that she will not beat me down by her continual coming.’” And the Lord said, “Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God give justice to his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will give justice to them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

LUKE 18:1-8

Point 3:

Faith is a wrestle

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