



The Lord's Day Morning, Pentecost Sunday — May 19, 2024

“Help My Unbelief”

Mark 9:14–27

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1. Faith grows slowly. (Mark 9)

2. A story of weak faith. (Mark 9:14–20)

Weak disciples and weak faith.

With Jesus, weak faith still allows for great healing.

3. Jesus shows His power in a faithless generation. (Mark 9:19–24)

4. I believe; help my unbelief. We can grow in faith. (Mark 9:23–29)

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR GROUPS:

1. What sorts of events challenge your faith, so that you may say “I believe, help my unbelief”?
2. This passage calls us to represent Jesus well. How can we do that individually? In our families? At Briarwood?
3. Why is it important to distinguish between people who sin and people who disappoint us?
4. It’s a bit hard to accept that Jesus could get angry, weary, or exasperated without sinning. What does that say about Jesus? Our emotional life?
5. Reconsider Dr. Roberts’ words about emotions:  
“The emotional person... is weak not because he has emotions, but because he has such poor ones, or such a limited repertoire. The concerns his emotions go back to are momentary, primitive, badly ordered. He lacks depth not because he feels strongly, but because he feels strongly about the wrong things.”

Do you get emotional about the right things to the right degree?

6. Take a moment to review what this passage teaches us about Jesus.