

DISCUSSION GUIDE

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WHEN MY FAITH ISN'T ENOUGH – NOW WHAT?

MARK 9:14-29

Note to Leaders: Every group is different, please choose the questions that relate best to your particular group.

FOR STARTERS

1. Have you ever had something stop working? Share some stories about how frustrated you were and how you may have tried to fix it.
2. Simple yes or no—have you ever struggled with doubt in your faith? Has it ever gotten to the point where you say, “My faith isn’t enough, it’s just not working”?

DIGGING IN

1. Read the following verses, then share what they teach us about our faith:
 - a. Galatians 3:5
 - b. Romans 10:17
 - c. 1 Peter 1:21
2. Hebrews 12 is an important passage when talking about our faith. Take a minute to read verses 1-2 and share what hits you most in them. How does it apply to your life right now?
3. Why is it important that Jesus told the disciples to pray in Mark 9:29? How does James 5:13-20 shed light on what Jesus was telling His disciples, specifically about the importance of prayer?

BRINGING IT HOME

1. In what area of your life might you need to evaluate the object of your faith? Is your faith still grounded in the person of Jesus Christ or has it shifted? What does that look like?
2. How does the father's response to Jesus in Mark 9:24 give you hope when you find yourself against something out of your control?

GOING DEEPER

1. The father in Mark 9 was dealing with a destructive force in his life that was out of his control and there was nothing he could do about it. Take time and, if comfortable, share what forces you might be facing in your own life.
2. Pray for each other about what is said.
3. Read, meditate on and memorize this Scripture: "Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, 'I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!'" Mark 9:24

PRAYER REQUESTS

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