

10. What are the typical restrictions placed on using our faith as a means for our own ends?

11. How important then, is faith?

12. Are there any other comments or lessons from the message you want to discuss?

Response – Making it Practical



1. What mountain in your life have you given up on? Where do you need to once again prioritize your prayers and exercise faith?

2. Can you remember a time when God did move a mountain for you?

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Walk This Way – Part 3

Matthew 17:14-21

Life Group Study Notes

Study based on Matthew 17:14-21 – May 7, 2017

Some consider it a leap in the dark, while others treat it as the remedy for sickness and poverty.

Regardless, a life of faith can still be a life of difficulty. How then, do we manage the expectations that faith is a magic potion for curing all of life's ills?



In this message we look at a story where faith becomes the determining factor for one of Jesus' miracles.

Study – Discovering What the Bible Says



1. What is one thing that stood out for you from last week's study?
2. When did you come to faith and what was it that influenced you to believe?
3. What is an area of belief you struggle with the most? Why?

4. What was presented in the message as a rule for whenever you come across a difficult passage?

Read Matthew 17:14-21 (If time permits read Mark 9:14-29 for more of the story)

5. What other reasons could there be for the disciple's inability to heal the boy? Would you have predicted a lack of faith?
6. Jesus' reaction to the failure of the disciples goes beyond them to the failure of the entire generation of people within earshot. What made Jesus react in this way?
7. How dramatic is the healing of the boy by Jesus?
8. What does this passage teach concerning the connection between the spiritual and the physical?
9. Verses 19-20 are some of the most difficult verses to understand. What potential problems could arise from mishandling this passage?