

Disappointment, Deficiency, and Determination

A FATHER'S JOURNEY
TO THE MIRACULOUS

Mark 9:14 *And when He came to the disciples, He saw a great multitude around them, and scribes disputing with them.*

Mark 9:15-16 *Immediately, when they saw Him, all the people were greatly amazed, and running to Him, greeted Him. And He asked the scribes, “What are you discussing with them?”*

Mark 9:17-18 *Then one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not.”*

Mark 9:19 *He answered him and said,
“O faithless generation, how long shall
I be with you? How long shall I bear
with you? Bring him to Me*

Mark 9:20 *Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth.*

Mark 9:21 *So He asked his father,
“How long has this been happening to
him?”*

Mark 9:21b-22 *And he said, “From childhood. And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.”*

Mark 9:23 *Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.”*

Mark 9:24 *Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!”*

Mark 9:25 *When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more*

Mark 9:26-27 *Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.*



A "NO GO" is
NOT

A "NO WAY"



Keep Asking

Persistence

AND PUSHING

Matthew 7:7 [Jesus speaking] *Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.*

Luke 18:1 *Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.*

Luke 18:2-3 *He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'*

Luke 18:4-5 *“For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, ‘Even though I don’t fear God or care what people think, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won’t eventually come and attack me!’”*

Luke 18:6-7 *And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off?”*

Luke 18:8 *I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"*



The
BALL

IS IN OUR COURT



Maybe God
Ownership
IS WAITING ON US

James 1:6-7 *But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;*



It is OK to

ASK

FOR HELP AND FAITH



Father and His Church

Teamwork

ARE HERE FOR YOU

2 Timothy 1:6-7 *Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.*

Mark 2:2-3 *And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men.*

Mark 2:4 *And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay.*

Mark 2:5 *And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.”*

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