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session 7

NOTHING BUT PRAYER

as you go

These are simple questions to ask your student as you go home from church or go about your weekly activities.

.01 What are some incredible facts that you have trouble believing? (For example, it's hard to believe that trees can live for over a thousand years!)

.02 When have you failed at something you tried to do? Why was it difficult? Did you try again?

family DEVOTION

Consider following up with your student later in the week with the following summary and discussion questions.

summary: MARK 9:14-29

While Jesus was on the mountain with James, Peter, and John, a crowd had formed at the base of the mountain around a man and his son. The son was possessed by a powerful demon, which the disciples had tried and failed to cast out. When Jesus and the other disciples arrived, the crowd ran to Him. After calling the demon out of the boy, Jesus taught His disciples why they had been unable to do the same: they had not prepared themselves through prayer. We will all experience doubts in our walk with God, but when we do, we should declare to God as the father declared to Jesus: "I do believe; help my unbelief!"

discussion QUESTIONS

.01 How does Mark contrast the faith of the father with the faith of the disciples? What can we learn from this?

.02 Where in your life do you need to ask Jesus for more faith and trust?

PRAY: Thank God for giving us this picture of what it looks like to trust in Him even when we experience doubt. Ask Him to help your unbelief and give you faith to trust Him in every area of your life.

memorize: MARK 9:24CENTRAL
truth

Jesus strengthens our faith in Him.

LEADER
challenge

Challenge your student to use the Daily Devotions provided in their *Daily Discipleship Guide* to study God's Word this week. These are the passages covered in this week's devotions.

DAY 1 MARK 9:14-16

DAY 2 MARK 9:17-19

DAY 3 MARK 9:20-24

DAY 4 MARK 9:25-29

DAY 5 MARK 9:30-32

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