

## "CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: **DOING WHO I AM"**

My eyes focused and clear, so that I can see exactly what it is he is calling me to do... Eph. 1:18 MSG

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C. Jesus received the glory \_\_\_

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## MARK 9:14-29

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TITLE: JESUS, I NEED A MIRACLE
INTRODUCTION
A. What people were asked to do for the miracle
1. Moses – Lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it.
2. Joshua – Walk around the city once a day for six days, and on the seventh day, walk around the city sever times, then shout
3. Blind man – After spitting on the ground, making clay and anointing the man's eyes, Jesus told him, "Go wash in the pool of Siloam."
4. Widow of Zarephath – Go and do what you said, but make me a small loaf from it first, and bring it to me. Then, make some for yourself and your son
B. They were asked to do totally illogical things to activate the miracle
C. Is it easier to do the harder things or the easier things?
LORD, I NEED A MIRACLE  A. My son has a spirit that makes him unable to speak
B. Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground, he foam at the mouth, he grinds his teeth, and he becomes Rigid
C. I asked Your disciples to cast out the spirit, but they could not do it
D. The evil spirit displayed its control of the boy in front of Jesus
YOU WANT ME TO DO WHAT?
A. I knew Jesus was going to do it
1. Jesus asked how long it had been happening
2. Then the man said, "But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."
B. I did not know how Jesus was going to do it
1. Jesus' response #1: "If you can believe, all things are possible to those who believe."
<ul><li>2. Jesus' response #2: "<i>If you can</i> believe, all things are possible to those who believe."</li><li>3. All the man was asked to do was believe</li></ul>
C. "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief"
1. How can we believe and have unbelief at the same time?
<ol> <li>It is the difference between what we believe Jesus "can do" and what we believe Jesus "will do"</li> <li>We know that Jesus "can do it" [I believe], although we do not have the faith to believe that Jesus "will do it" [my unbelief]</li> </ol>
4. Whereas "Can' speaks to ability or possibility, "will" speaks to the certainty of it being done
5. Our faith has to be anchored in the more than Jesus' ability to do. Our faith has to be anchored in the certainty of what Jesus will do
VICTORY
A. A sample miracle?

B. The father and son received the victory