

SERMON NOTES

ONLINE

FAITH THAT HONORS GOD

Sunday, April 12, 2020 (Sunrise Service)

(Psalm 77:14 TLB)

You are the God of miracles and wonders! You still demonstrate your awesome power.

(Mark 9:16-24)

"What are you arguing with them about?" he asked. A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not." "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "How long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me." So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us." "If you can?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes." Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"

Causes of Doubt

> We believe like people _____.

(2 Corinthians 6:14-15 NIV)

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers... What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?

> We've tried things that _____.

(Mark 9:17-18 NIV)

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> We believe, _____.

(James 1:6-8 NIV)

But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do

Faith that honors God

1. Believes when it _____ see.

(Hebrews 11:1 NIV)

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

(Matthew 9:28 NIV)

When he had gone indoors, the blind men came to him, and he asked them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" "Yes, Lord," they replied.

2. _____ when nothing changes.

(Colossians 4:2 GNT)

Be persistent in prayer, and keep alert as you pray, giving thanks to God.

3. _____ when it doesn't make sense.

(James 2:22 NIV)

You see that his faith and his actions were working together, and his faith was made complete by what he did.

Faith _____ God can but
_____ Him even if He doesn't.

RightNow Media Weekly Suggestion:

"Faith, Hope and Luck" by Andy Stanley

NEXT STEPS

This week I'm going to...

- read the 4 statements at least once a day
- reach out each day to others and share hope.
- attend Life Steps.