

MIRACLES — in — MARK

Miracles in Mark—Week #4—Pastor Berni Rogers

Mark 9:17-29

¹⁷ Then one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. ¹⁸ And whenever 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.”

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.” 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.

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

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

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

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

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!” ²⁶ 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.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?”

²⁹ So He said to them, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.”

Questions:

1. What does it mean to you that you have been delivered from Satan’s kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of God and that you are now in the realm of salvation where you live in an eternal and spiritual relationship with God under the care and authority of Jesus Christ, the Son of His love? In what ways have you already experienced God’s rescue and saving?
2. Can you identify areas in your life that are still holding you or your family captive that you have just settled for? These are things that are contrary to what God says about you in his word. Be bold and share with your Fam group where you want to see God deliver you.
3. Repeat Jesus’ words: **All things are possible for one who believes.** Now picture yourself completely set free from what has held you back. As a group, come up with several ways to keep growing your faith to believe Jesus to completely set you free.
4. Discuss the importance of not stopping praying and believing. What is at stake if we stop? Pray together over each other and your families.

Assignment: Read Psalm 34 this week and meditate on God’s ability to deliver you. Pay attention to the words “rescued”, “delivered”, “saved”, “freed”. Pray this Psalm over your life and your family. God is for you and wants nothing more than for you to walk in complete freedom in every area of your life!