

Home Group Discussion Guide

When The Healing Doesn't Come – Mark 9:14-27

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The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

*The questions are a **guide** to help lead discussion.*

Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked, instead respond to the needs of your group. If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

GETTING STARTED

1. Have you ever found yourself seeking healing for yourself or a loved one and not seeing it?
Or perhaps seeking to be an agent of healing and feeling like you fall short?
 - a. How did that situation make you feel?
2. What was the main challenge or idea that stood out to you from the message on Sunday?

REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

Key Scripture: Mark 9:14-27; Isaiah 58:3-8

(Read Mark 9:14-29)

1. What stands out to you from this passage and example of Jesus healing?
2. In verse 21, Jesus asks the father a question about how long the boy has been like that. What do you notice/ learn from Jesus' approach here?
 - a. Is there a question Jesus is asking into your life at the moment?
3. In verses 22-24 we see the interaction that the father and Jesus have around belief. Can you relate to the father's example here?
 - a. What does this desire look like in our lives?
4. In verses 28-29 Jesus links the healing to prayer. *(Megan also linked this to Isaiah 58:3-8)*
 - a. What are some ways that people have misunderstood Jesus' words?
 - b. What might Jesus be saying when he speaks of prayer here?

RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

1. What part of this passage resonates most strongly with you? Why?
2. How will you apply this to your life? What needs to change?

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

