Reflect and Discuss - Mark 9:14-29 Sunday May 22, 2016

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- 1. What has been your most profitable mistake-the one from which you learned the most valuable lessons?
- 2. Do you tend to berate others for making mistakes or encourage them to learn from mistakes?
- 3. How did witnessing the transfiguration prepare the disciples for this next lesson?
- 4. How did this lesson bring them down to earth from their mountain top experience?
- 5. How does our failure reflect badly on Jesus in the eyes of the world? What might we say when we have failed that would mitigate the damage done to His name?
- 6. How would you respond to someone who said the child's behavior probably represented epilepsy or some other natural disease rather than demonic forces?
- 7. Is our generation more or less of a "faithless generation" than the *one]*Jesus confronted? In general, what causes people to change over generations?
- 8. How does turning to Jesus with questions and doubts demonstrate at least small faith rather than no faith at all? What would no faith look like?
- 9. Should our daily lives be divided into things we can do on our own and things we need Jesus' help to do? Explain.
- 10. What did the disciples do after their failure? How can failure be made profitable?
- 11. How does self-sufficiency express pride, while prayer and humility express "faith, trust, and dependency"?