

# Sermon Discussion Guide

*Following Jesus in the Valley*

Mark 9:14–29

## A lesson on following Jesus in the valley

- Who is the “faithless generation” Jesus refers to in v. 19?
- Why did Jesus ask the boy’s father a question instead of casting out the demon immediately?
- What does Jesus mean by “All things are possible for one who believes” (v. 23)? See Mark 10:27 and 14:36.
- How was the disciples’ failure to cast out a demon related to their prayerlessness (v. 29)?

## How do we follow Jesus in the valley?

- What is the root issue behind our prayerlessness?
- Where in your life are you tempted to be self-reliant?
- Where in your life do you recognize your weakness and inability? How can you depend on the Lord’s enabling grace in those areas?