



Matthew 17v14-20

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**People
Focused**

Bible Shaped

**Prayer
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**Mission
Minded**

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“We may speak boldly with God, but he is still in heaven and we are still on earth.”

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- We should be **dependent**
- We should be **desperate**

2) The Power – Of Jesus

V17-18: ‘You unbelieving and perverse generation,’ Jesus replied, ‘how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy here to me.’ ¹⁸ Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of the boy, and he was healed at that moment.

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V20: He replied, 'Because you have so little faith. Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, "Move from here to there," and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.'

The Great Lesson of Faith...

It's not the size of our faith that saves us

BUT

*the strength of our savior in whom we
trust*

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Mark 9v28-29: After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, 'Why couldn't we drive it out?' ²⁹ He replied, **This kind can come out only by prayer.**

3 touch points with church...

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- Central Prayers



*“What a man is on his knees before God,
that he is and nothing more.”*

Robert Murray M’Cheyne