

The Gospel of the King

Faith, Doubt, and the Power of Jesus

Mark 9:14-29 (ESV)

Consider the scene ...

An _____ and _____ crowd

The _____ and _____ disciples

A _____ and _____ boy

A _____ and _____ dad

And Jesus – ready and able to _____, but dismayed at the lack of _____ all around Him

An amazing (and honest) statement: “*I believe; help my unbelief!*”

Some reasons for the father’s doubt (and *ours* sometimes):

_____ – This has gone on _____!

_____ – You can’t imagine how _____ this has been!

_____ – I’ve _____ of places and people to turn to!

Some lessons we need to learn from Jesus’ response:

Whatever the _____ and whatever the _____, Jesus’ _____ is never in question. (v.23)

Our _____ is somehow tied to God’s _____. (But maybe not like we think or have been told)

Thankfully, _____ or _____ faith was not required by Jesus (or else almost all of us would be hopeless).

Jesus not only _____ to our faith; He also _____ the faith we need!

So, what do I do when my faith is weak?

In short, be honest and _____!

But there’s more to the story here:

And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “*Why could we not cast it out?*”

And he said to them, “*This kind cannot be driven out by anything but **prayer.***”

Nothing _____, _____, or _____ faith like prayer!

And *what sort* of praying are we talking about here?

Sidebar:

Please see the devastating _____ and _____ of evil!

This evil is what Jesus came to _____ (1 John 3:8)

... and not just in the demon-_____, but in the demon-_____ and demon-_____! (Eph. 2:2)

This is why Jesus is headed to the _____!

My response to God and His Word today:

What’s Your Salvation Story?

Over the next several months, we will be sharing short testimonies from our members on all our social media platforms. We’d love to hear how God saved you! Here’s what we’d like you to do: video a short (about 5 minutes) story about how God changed your life and made you new. Email it to brooke@calvarydothan.com. Then, we’ll share it on our website and on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc. so that others may hear of the goodness of God!

Who’s Your One?

As you continue to pray for the salvation of – and share the Gospel with – your “one”, we’d love to hear from you! If your “one” has surrendered to Christ, please share that with us! If we can pray with you for the salvation of someone you are trying to reach, share with us a name. If you need any resources to help you reach your “one”, we can help there, too! What if we view every person we encounter as someone Jesus came to save and everything we do as an opportunity to tell them about it? Who knows what God might do!

Sunday Epilogue

Sometimes sermons create questions. Sometimes, there is just more to be said. Sometimes more clarity needs to be given. And at all times when we hear God’s Word, we should have opportunity to respond to it. For the next several weeks, we will be offering a live, online, interactive post-service Q&A and discussion with Paul and Reagan. If you have questions from the message, need prayer, or want to discuss a decision you’ve made about your faith, please join us. We will begin just after the conclusion of the service. If you are watching in person, feel free to hang around and join us, too! Text your questions, comments, and requests to (334) 708-0513.

Council of Elders Statement

August to November is the season of church life when we nominate, select, and affirm elders. We believe we have the necessary number of elders to shepherd Calvary in the coming year, so we will forego the nominating process this year. Thank you for the trust you have placed in the elders to spiritually lead Calvary.

Midweek Bible Study

Midweek Bible Study has moved from the Chapel to the Fellowship Center. Join us on Wednesday nights at 6pm as Pastor Paul continues the series, *What COVID-19, BLM, and ‘WOKE’ America is Revealing About the Church.*

RightNow Media

This is a great season to utilize RightNow Media! RightNow Media is often described as the “Christian version of Netflix.” This online database gives you access to over 15,000 Bible studies from over 250 top Christian publishers and ministries, including over 2,000 Bible-based kids episodes. RightNow Media has been purchased for all Calvary members. To utilize this resource, simply email charles@calvarydothan.com and let him know you want access.

Call to Prayer

There is a weekly time of prayer led by our pastors and elders every Sunday morning, 8:00-8:20 am in the Sanctuary. Everyone is invited to join in for part or all of the prayer time.

Pray for Our Missionaries

During these difficult and unusual times, please be in prayer for our missary partners around the world.

Guatemala – Jose Perez & Brett Lamberth

India – Bill & C. V.

Indonesia - Andres & Hilda

Kenya – Moses Odhiambo

Nepal - Kevin & Carolyn

New York City - Steve Chambers

New Orleans - Byron Catres

Deacon Ordination

Sunday, August 23 | 10:00 am Worship Service

Michael Hartzog, Josh Robertson, and Jeff Spears will be ordained.

Community Ministry Outreach Needs

Alabama Baptist Children’s Home

Life Groups or individuals are encouraged to take one or two items from the list below to donate monthly for a year. If you or your Life Group is interested, let Tommy Perry know at tommy@calvarydothan.com or 334.792.5159.

- disinfecting wipes
- Swiffer Wet Jet pads & spray cleaner (purple box and bottle)
- hygiene products
- individually packaged snacks
- cases of bottled water
- spaghetti sauce & noodles
- ranch dressing
- canned vegetables

The Harbor

- canned meat, veggies, fruits
- ramen noodles
- peanut butter
- rice, dry pasta, and sauce
- fruit cups
- any non-perishables

Wiregrass Hope Group

- disinfecting Wipes
- sleepers, bibs, spoons, pacifiers, diapers, & plug protectors

Midweek Schedule

5:30 pm Supper, Fellowship Center

6:00 pm Midweek Worship, Fellowship Center
Preschool, Birth-K5, Preschool Building
(Preschoolers need to be preregistered at calvarydothan.com)
Children, Grades 1-5, ROC
Students, Grades 6-12, Sanctuary
No Adult Choir

Sunday Morning Schedule

8:00am Call to Prayer, Sanctuary

8:30am Life Group

10:00am Worship in Fellowship Center
Live Stream on Facebook & YouTube

11:00am Worship Broadcast on The JoyFM
94.3/96.1 with a 1 week delay.

I WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT:

My Decision Today:

I trusted Jesus as Savior.

I’d like to join Calvary Baptist Church.

I believe God is calling me into ministry/mission.

Please have a pastor or elder contact me.

If you would like to speak with someone about one of the items noted above, please visit the Next Steps Kiosk before you leave today.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Pastors & Prayer Team Only

Churchwide

Connect Card

August 16, 2020

Please complete this tab, tear it off and drop it in an offering plate.

- Please update my information
 Please contact me about membership

I am a:

- First Time Guest Guest
 Member

Name

Address

City

State/Zip

- Male Female

- Married Single

Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Spouse

Spouse's Birthdate (mm/dd/yy)

Children:

Name / Date of Birth

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August 16, 2020

Today's message, *Faith, Doubt, and the Power of Jesus*, provides a beautiful example of the power of Christ to solve our deepest problems and heal our biggest hurts – *if we have faith*. A man asks Jesus, "Would you heal my son?" And Jesus says, "Everything is possible for him who believes." That is, "I can do it if you can believe." But how much faith is *enough*? And what if I'm struggling with *doubt*? Will I never be able to experience God or His power in my life?

The reality is, often faith and doubt exist side-by-side in us. They are at war, and we must decide how we will respond and which we will fuel. In those moments of struggle, we can still turn to Christ in humility and helplessness and find that there is a remedy for our unbelief and that Jesus is waiting for us to seek him for it!

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FIRST TIME GUEST?

We're so glad you've joined us for worship today and would love to be able to share more with you about our church. Please fill out the Connect Card to the left and place it in one of the offering plates when they are passed. Be sure to stop by our Next Steps kiosk after the service for a gift from us!

THE PEOPLE CAME...

August 9

Life Group: 342
10:00 Worship: 334
6:00 Worship: 109
Hispanic Church: 114

THE PEOPLE GAVE...

General Fund

Given August 9: \$38,977
Given Y-T-D: \$1,532,113
Y-T-D Required: \$1,646,769.28
Adoption Assistance Fund: \$5,325

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING

Sunday, August 16:

Jos 8, Ps 139, Jer 2, Mt 16

Monday, August 17:

Jos 9, Ps 140-141, Jer 3, Mt 17

Tuesday, August 18:

Jos 10, Ps 142-143, Jer 4, Mt 18

Wednesday, August 19:

Jos 11, Ps 144, Jer 5, Mt 19

Thursday, August 20:

Jos 12-13, Ps 145, Jer 6, Mt 20

Friday, August 21:

Jos 14-15, Ps 146-147, Jer 7, Mt 21

Saturday, August 22:

Jos 16-17, Ps 148, Jer 8, Mt 22

4 Ways to Give

- Give online by using the MobileMission app for Apple or Android or go to calvarydothan.com/GiveOnline.
- On Sundays, drop in the collection boxes near the Fellowship Center exit doors
- Mail to 901 Montezuma Avenue, Dothan, AL 36303
- Bring to the church office, M-F, 8am-12noon & 1-4:30pm

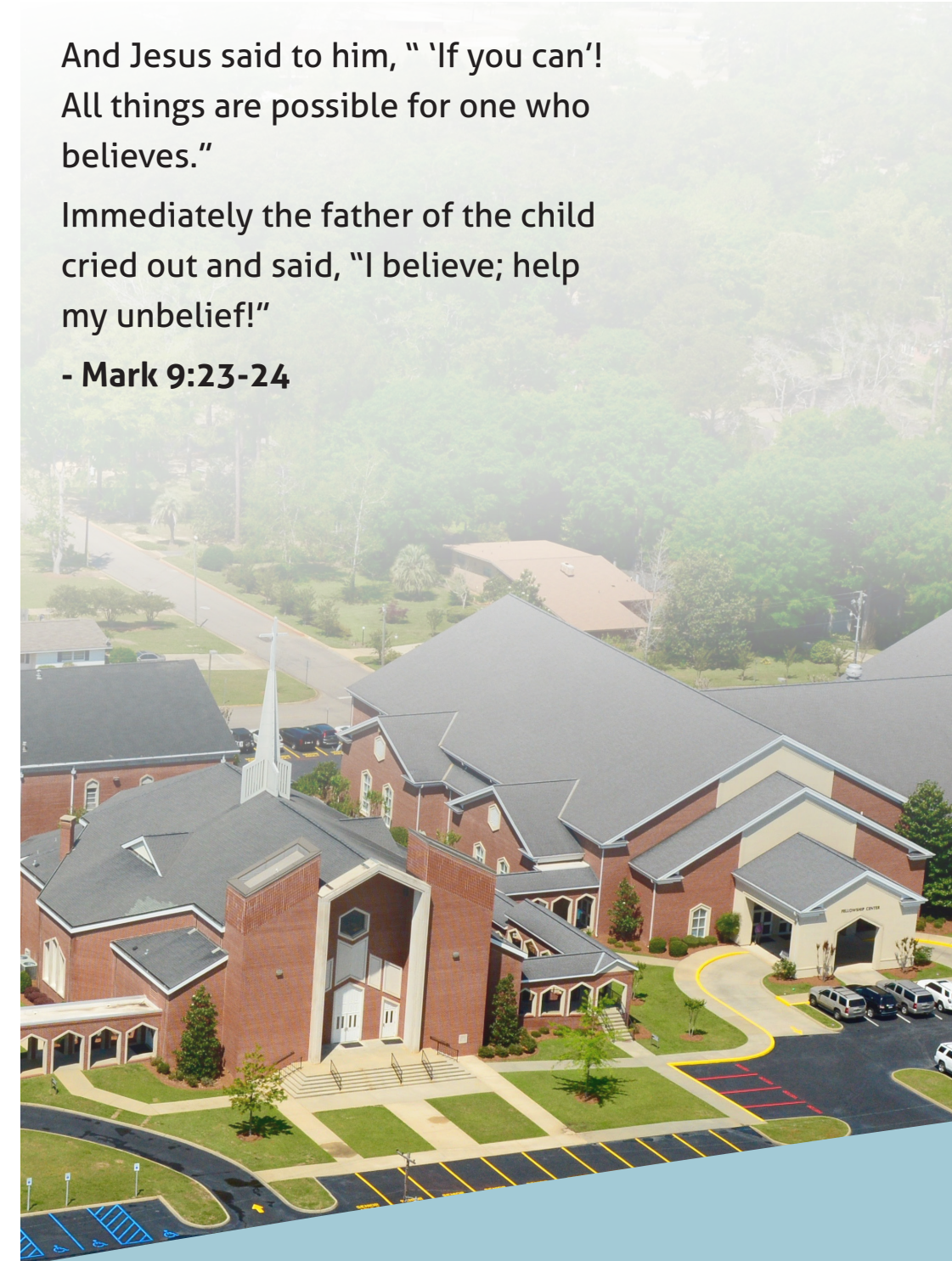
UPDATED GUEST INFORMATION

In this interim period as we are trying to respond as responsibly as we can to the threat of Covid-19 around us, we are intentionally limiting up-close, face-to-face encounters where possible. Therefore, our "Next Steps" kiosk is temporarily closed and we are not passing offering plates for the time being. But if you are a guest, we still want to hear from you and meet you! So please complete the attached Connect Card and place in the offering collection boxes at the exits. Also, if you have prayer needs or personal needs, please share those with us as well. You may also email us at info@CalvaryDothan.com or call or text anytime to (334) 708-0513. We'd love to hear from you, pray with you or for you, or talk with you about any spiritual questions you have or decisions you have made.

And Jesus said to him, "If you can't! All things are possible for one who believes."

Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!"

- Mark 9:23-24



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Calvary
BAPTIST CHURCH