



## Revolution: Evil

LUKE 9:37-45 | FEBRUARY 21 & 22, 2015

Today's passage occurs after the events on the Mount of Transfiguration. Jesus is surrounded by crowds and a man approaches Jesus with his only son. The boy is thrown into fits of convulsion and has led a difficult life. While some of the disciples had attempted to heal the boy, eventually it was only Jesus who was able to call out the unclean spirit within and restore the boy to his father.

### WITH THE GROUP



#### LEARNING | BEGINNING TO CONNECT WITH THE TOPIC

What images, ideas, people or concepts come to mind at the mention of the word, "EVIL?"



#### LEARNING | GETTING CLEAR ON WHAT WAS TAUGHT

What were some of the different ways Pastor Mike provided for thinking about evil in the world?



#### LOVING | GROWING OUR HEART FOR A LOVING GOD

What part of the sermon most inspired you, moved you, challenged you or made you think?

What would you want to communicate to the person who says, "if your God is so good, why is there so much suffering and destruction in the world?"



#### LIVING | STARTING TO LIVE LIKE JESUS DAILY

In Luke 9:33 we get a glimpse of Peter who is so amazed to see Jesus, Moses and Elijah together. He wants to stay on the mountaintop. However, just a little later (the next day) they have come down off the mountaintop, back to being surrounded by crowds and being presented with problems to fix. What is the importance of the mountaintop? What is the importance of the valley? How do the two work together in your life?

Mark 9:14-29 tells the same story (a parallel passage) of the healing in Luke 9:37-45. How do you understand Jesus' comment in Mark 9:29 or Jesus' comment from another parallel passage in Matthew 17:20? What is the relationship of prayer, faith and evil?

#### DIGGING DEEPER

Read Ephesians 6:10-13. What is the kind of world this describes? What is the posture and activity of Christians in this world?

#### GRADUATE LEVEL

Look at 2 Kings 6:8-23 and Daniel 10:10-14. What is unique about the actions being described in these passages? What seems to be happening and what really is happening? What difference might this make to perspective on evil, faith and prayer?