



# “Will You Believe?”

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## I. **Mark 9:14-26**

### A. “If thou canst do anything” (man’s question)

1. “If you are able to do anything, please have compassion on us.”
2. There are way too many “If’s” in the hearts of men and women today
  - We have been manipulated by the system of this world to have more faith in Satan than in God! (Unbelief).
  - When we come to God with “If”, we are simply saying, “I don’t believe you are able!” (It dishonors God and glorifies the devil).

### B. “If thou canst believe” (God’s Answer)

1. “You say to me, If you can? All things are possible for the one who believes and trusts in Me!” (**Amplified Bible**)
2. Jesus said, “If? There are no if’s among believers.” (**Message Bible**)

### C. Faithless Generation

1. **Faithless - Unbelieving**
2. Who did Jesus speak this to? Do you remember the answer Jesus gave His disciples when they came privately to Him and asked Him why they couldn’t cast out the demon spirit from the child?

Children of God...there is a call to believe today; within this call, a demand is placed on all of us to eliminate anything that brings us under the authority of “If”. Let us remember, All things are possible to him that believes!

## II. God is looking...Faith is what causes you to be found

### A. **II Chronicles 16:9**

1. *Perfect toward Him* – This is the heart that trusts God completely; this is called **Faith – Fully Persuaded that anything God says (promises), He is able also to perform.**
2. God is looking for someone that will simply believe

### B. **John 11:30-40**

1. Why did Jesus weep? Answer: **There was no faith!**
  - \* Jesus groaned in His spirit and was troubled
  - \* Jesus had already proclaimed to His disciples that He was going to wake Lazarus out of sleep in **John 11:11**; so why would He cry about it?
2. *The only place that Jesus was limited in His ability and power was in His own hometown. And why was it that He was unable to do a mighty work there? Unbelief! Do you know the only reason that Jesus was able to raise Lazarus from the dead in spite of all the unbelief in the atmosphere? Lazarus couldn’t argue with Him!*
3. **Luke 18:8** “Will Jesus find faith when He returns?”