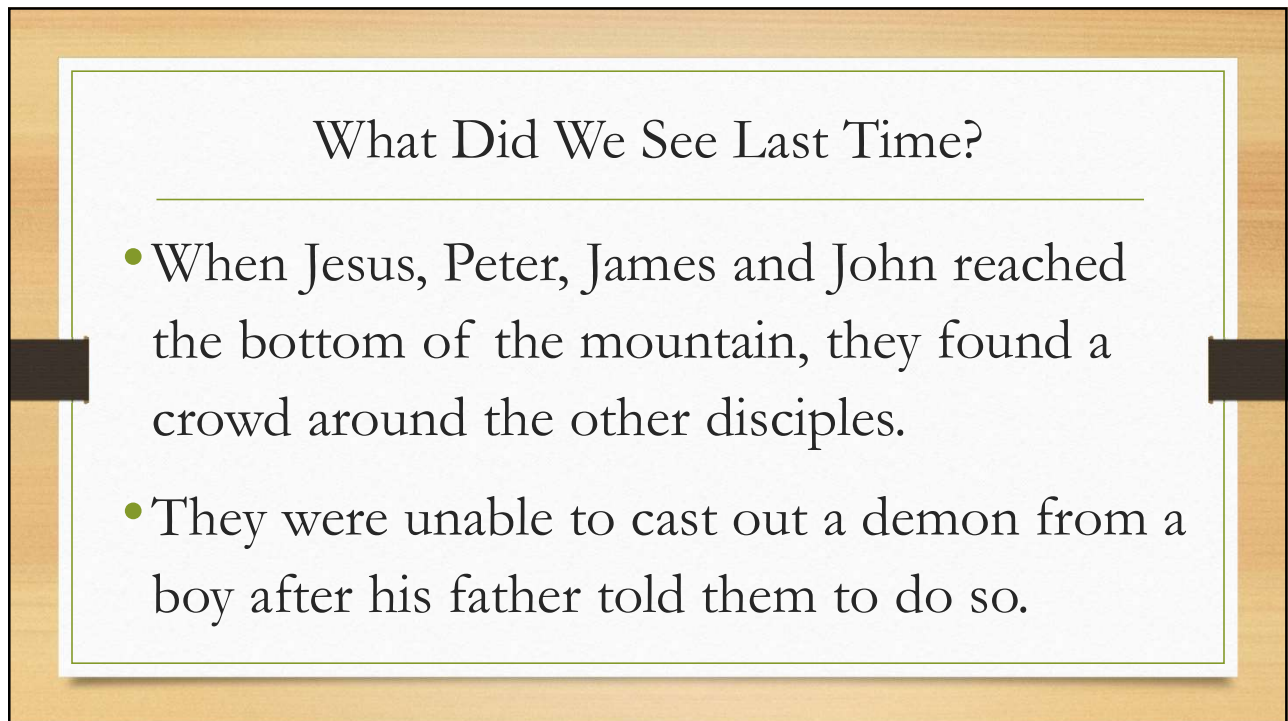


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What Did We See Last Time?

- Jesus asked them to bring the boy, and when the demon saw Jesus, it caused a convulsion.
- The boy's father recognized his lack of faith and asked Jesus for help.

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What Did We See Last Time?

- Jesus commanded the unclean spirit to come out and never return to the boy, and it looked like he died, but Jesus raised him up.
- Jesus pointed out the disciples' lack of prayer as the reason they were unable to cast it out.

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What Did We See Last Time?

- Jesus again told His disciples that He would be killed and rise again three days later.
- Mark notes that the disciples did not understand and were afraid to ask Jesus what He meant.

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Mark 9:33-37

9:³³ They came to Capernaum; and when He was in the house, He began to question them,

“What were you discussing on the way?”

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³⁴ But they kept silent, for on the way they had discussed with one another which of them was the greatest. ³⁵ Sitting down, He called the twelve and said to them,
“If anyone wants to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all.”

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³⁶ Taking a child, He set him before them, and taking him in His arms, He said to them,
³⁷ “Whoever receives one child like this in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me does not receive Me, but Him who sent Me.”

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What is Mark Telling Us?

- What were the disciples talking about while they walked?
- Why did they not want to tell Jesus?

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What is Jesus Saying?

- What “upside down” principle did Jesus explain?
- How did He illustrate it?
- What did He mean about ‘receiving’ a child in His name?

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Mark 9:38-41

9:³⁸ John said to Him,
“Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in Your name, and we tried to prevent him because he was not following us.”

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³⁹ But Jesus said,
“Do not hinder him, for there is no one who will perform a miracle in My name, and be able soon afterward to speak evil of Me. ⁴⁰ For he who is not against us is for us.”

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⁴¹ For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because of your name as followers of Christ, truly I say to you, he will not lose his reward.”

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What is Jesus Saying?

- Why did John try to prevent someone from casting out demons in Jesus' name?
- How did Jesus respond?
- What illustration did Jesus use?

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Mark 9:42-48

9:42 “Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe to stumble, it would be better for him if, with a heavy millstone hung around his neck, he had been cast into the sea.

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⁴³ If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life crippled, than, having your two hands, to go into hell, into the unquenchable fire.

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⁴⁵ If your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame, than, having your two feet, to be cast into hell.

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⁴⁷ If your eye causes you to stumble, throw it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, than, having two eyes, to be cast into hell,
⁴⁸ where THEIR WORM DOES NOT DIE,
AND THE FIRE IS NOT QUENCHED.

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What is Jesus Saying?

- Who are the 'little ones'?
- Why such a severe penalty as being drowned with a heavy weight?
- How should we understand what Jesus says about cutting off hands and feet?

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What is Jesus Saying?

- Do hands, feet and eyes actually cause us to sin?
- What extreme measures does Jesus advocate?
- What aspect of hell does Jesus highlight?

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