

## 6—All Things Are Possible

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### INTRO:

#### I. → Matthew 17:14-20

1 Corinthians 13:2

If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

Mark 14:35

“Abba, Father,” he said, “everything is possible for you. Take this cup from me. Yet not what I will, but what you will.”

The things that block us from doing what we are able

We can do the possible, God does the impossible

### BODY:

#### I. Fear of Failure

*14 When they came to the crowd, a man approached Jesus and knelt before him. 15 “**Lord, have mercy on my son,**” he said. “He has **seizures** and is suffering greatly. He often falls into the fire or into the water. 16 I brought him to your disciples, but **they could not heal him.**”*

Grk (*kúrie eléēysón*) Lord, have mercy

Grk (*seleniázomai*) moonstruck, lunatic, epileptic

Grk (*dúnamai*) to be able, to have the power

Matthew 10:1

Jesus called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out impure spirits and to heal every disease and sickness.

He gave them authority but they still could not  
Fear of the outcome  
Fear of failure  
Fear of others

1 Thessalonians 2:4

On the contrary, we speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel. We are not trying to please people but God, who tests our hearts.

## II. Lack of Vision

*17 "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. 19 Then the disciples came to Jesus in private and asked, "Why **couldn't we** drive it out?"*

Grk (*á pistos*) unbelieving, faithless

Grk (*diastrépho*) spun around, led astray

Doing things in our own authority

We cannot do it by ourselves

Focusing on ourselves

Shortsided thinking

Acts 3:12

When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk?"

Hebrews 12:2

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame.

## III. Wounds of the Past

*20 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 things that limit our faith

All Things are Possible

Elvis Presley, Only Believe, 1971, Paul Rader

Grk (*oligopistía*) littleness of faith

Grk (*adunatéo*) be unable, to impotent

Matthew 21:21-22

21 Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and it will be done. 22 If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer."

They were uneasy at the difficulty of the symptoms

Not the faith of the recipient, but the faith of the prayer

Matthew 19:26

Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Mark 9:23

Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." (NKJV)

## **OTHER SCRIPTURES:**