

The Miracles of Jesus
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Miracle: "A Happening with Which Human Reasoning Has Yet To Catch Up."

-Dr. William Augustus Jones

Miracle #27 – Jesus Heals a Boy with a Demon

Matthew 17:14-20; **Mark 9:14-29**; Luke 9:37-43

(For the purpose of this lecture we will present Mark's account.)

- **Mark 9:14-21**

Jesus comes before a multitude and notes that the Scribes are questioning His disciples. The Scribes were a class of professional scholars whose duty was to interpret the Law and apply it to every aspect of life. They were an extension of the Pharisees and had a great deal of influence over the people. The Scribes were held in high honor among the Jews and were commonly addressed by the title "**Rabbi**," meaning "**my Lord**" or "**my Master**." They served in a capacity like unto the S.C. State Supreme Court.

- **Ezra 7:6**
- **Matthew 9:3 – Falsely Accuses Jesus**

- **Matthew 15:1-3**

Jesus had just returned from the Mount of Transfiguration and found the Scribes and Pharisees debating a recent event with the disciples, while a crowd looked on. When the people looked around and saw Jesus, they went running to Him. Jesus asked the Scribes, "**What are you arguing with my disciples about?**"

While Jesus was addressing the Scribes, a man cried out, begging Jesus to look at his son. The son was demon possessed, and the demon regularly threw the boy down, injuring him. The man told Jesus he had asked His disciples to heal the boy, but they couldn't. Why couldn't the disciples cast out the evil-spirit?

- **Mark 6:12-13**
- **Matthew 10:5-8**

Jesus was seemingly frustrated by the father's failure to realize that He, not His disciples was the source of the healing power as the Messiah. He called the disciples and the father "an **unbelieving generation.**" The point Jesus wants to make is that we cannot substitute "faith healers" for faith in Christ. Even though the healers may claim to be representatives of Jesus, we must learn to bring our needs to Jesus.

- Acts 3:6-7
- Acts 28:8-9
- Acts 19:11-12

- Mark 9:2
- Mark 9:5
- Mark 9:9

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