

Kingdom Priorities

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Matt. 17:14-27

Discussion Questions

1. (optional) At the beginning of the sermon, we heard: "If you do not live with intentionality and purpose, ... you'll go where the strongest current takes you." Is this something that applies to you today? Are you living under the Lordship of Christ daily?

2. What did you learn today from the Scripture passage that you didn't know before? What is something that stood out to you in a fresh way?

A. Live by Faith (vv. 14–23)

3. Does Jesus' initial response in verse 17 surprise you? Why? How can we similarly lament the lack of faith in people around us in an appropriate way?

4. What was the disciples' attitude when they approached Jesus (v. 19)? How can we imitate them?

5. What was the issue when Jesus referred to his disciples as having "little faith" (v. 20)?

B. Live in Freedom (vv 24-27)

6. What does Jesus' approach in v. 27, "not to give offense," teach us? How can we be more Christ-like in the way we respond/behave towards coworkers, classmates, friends, or family members?

7. What does the instance with the fish in v. 27 reveal about Jesus?

8. We heard that, "Like the Pharisees in the 1st century, we can make the mistake of adding certain standards and practices to God's law that he has not required of us." What are some ways that you have been tempted to do this?

9. As a result of today's sermon, what will you apply this week?