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Jesus Heals a Boy Possessed by an Impure Spirit

14 When they came to the other disciples, they saw a large crowd around them and the teachers of the law arguing with them. 15 As soon as all the people saw Jesus, they were overwhelmed with wonder and ran to greet him.

16 "What are you arguing with them about?" he asked.

17 A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. 18 Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not."

19 "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me."

20 So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth.

21 Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?"

"From childhood," he answered. 22 "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us." 23 "If you can?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes."

24 Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"

25 When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again."

26 The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up.

28 After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?"

29 He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."

Questions

Merciful Jesus

1. Have you ever had to forgive someone or someone had to forgive you?
2. What caused the boy to throw himself to the ground and foam at the mouth? (Verse 20)
3. In verse 19, how do you think Jesus felt when he was talking to everyone?
4. Why do you think the father said "if you can" in verse 22?
5. Can you think of an example where you have behaved similarly to the father and been unbelieving?
6. What did Jesus do in verse 25?
7. Why would Jesus remove the spirit from the boy?
8. How does Jesus being merciful affect us personally?
9. Think of 1 or 2 people that you could share what you have learnt in this Bible study.

Prayer - P-R-A-Y

Praise (thank God for something good that happened in the holidays)

Repent (say sorry for bad choices)

Ask (ask God for help with challenges)

Yes (accepting what he tells us through the bible and listening to it)

ACTIVITIES

Riddles

(Don't google!)

- **What has 13 hearts but no lungs or stomach?**
- **The person who makes it has no need of it, and neither does the person who buys it. But the person who uses it can neither see it or feel it. What is it?**
- **You are in a dark room with a box of matches. Nearby are three things: a candle, an oil lamp and a log of firewood. Which do you light first?**

The Jesus We Love

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JACOB
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ANGRY
DOCTOR
SHEPHERD
PAPA
GLORY
JESUS
SAVIOUR

WHEN YOU
GO THROUGH
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WATERS
I WILL BE
WITH YOU

isaiah 43:2