## BELIEVE FOR THE IMPOSSIBLE

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Mark 9:23

Never underestimate the force of **faith**! What you believe shapes what you receive. Faith isn't a suggestion - it's a spiritual law. If you're not receiving, check what you're believing.

In Mark 9, we meet a desperate father. His son was tormented by a violent demon, thrown into fire and water, shattered by torment. Yet, this man came to Jesus with a flicker of hope — and Jesus fanned it into a flame. Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him that believeth" (Mark 9:23). That father believed — even in weakness, he cried, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" (v. 24). Jesus met him right there. The demon left. The boy was healed. Faith brought power. Faith brought deliverance. Faith brought victory.

Where faith is present, the impossible bows. The word "**possible**" in Mark 9:23 is from the Greek 'dunata'— it means able, powerful, capable, competent. It shares its root with 'dunamis', the word used in Acts 1:8 for the explosive power of the Holy Spirit. This isn't wishful thinking — it's supernatural empowerment. When dunamis is released, the weak become mighty, the incapable become empowered, and the natural is overtaken by the supernatural.

But who activates this power? Jesus said, "...to him that believeth." This is the Greek word *pisteuō* — not a one-time belief, but *ongoing, continuous, present-tense believing*. This is someone whose heart is leaning in, who keeps trusting, keeps speaking, keeps expecting. A believer who won't back down. A faith that refuses to quit.

This is not passive faith — this is **fighting faith**. This is not stale belief — this is **now-faith**. (Hebrews 11:1). In other words, here we find a person who is **presently believing right now**. He didn't just believe in the past — he is a believer. His faith is **actively reaching forward right now to grab hold of what God has promised**. His faith is **habitually, constantly, consistently, and unwaveringly straining forward to take hold of that desired goal** he sees before him!

So, shake off doubt right now. Cast out unbelief. Whatever your situation, realign your thoughts with God's Word. Surround yourself with those who stir your faith, not those who suffocate it. Step into the atmosphere of belief — and watch the impossible turn into your testimony.

## Making It Personal:

- 1. Insight What is ONE new insight the Holy Spirit has given me?
- 2. **Conviction** Something pierced my heart or convicted me? Take action now!
- 3. Share Received something I want to share with someone else?