

# Back Down to Earth

Mark 9:14-29

(series #44)

**Intro:** the background of the Transfiguration of vv. 1-13

- The issue of demon caused illness

- The issue of manuscript discrepancies

“The New Testament Documents; Are they Reliable?” by F.F. Bruce

## I. **The Weakness of the Disciples vv. 14-18**

A. Their possible lack of compassion

B. Their lack of power v. 18

## II. **The Reply of the Master vv. 19-27**

A. A faithless or unbelieving people

B. “How long?” - Hebrew 5:12

## III. **The Disciples’ Lack of Faith vv. 28-29**

A. The disciples were confident in their ability

B. They weren’t looking to God and trusting Him

**Conclusion:** Faith is an attitude of humble dependance upon God. It is not the power of positive thinking!