



- What exhortation do we receive from the Apostle Paul in Philippians 2:14 – 16 about living in a *crooked and perverse generation*?

3. Jesus, along with Peter, James and John had a wonderful mountaintop experience. Now as they came down into the valley they would face the reality of evil. What evil did they face and how did Jesus deal with it?

- Moses had the most amazing mountaintop experience anyone could ever have beginning in Exodus 19. Moses was in the presence of God receiving the Ten Commandments, the Ordinances and the Instructions for Building of the Tabernacle. What took place in Exodus 32 as God told Moses to go back down to the camp? How did Moses deal with this evil in the camp?

- Have you ever had a mountaintop experience with the Lord? Perhaps it was at a retreat, conference or in your alone time with God. What did you face when you came down from your mountain? (Explain)

4. What took place when the demon possessed young man was brought to Jesus and what was his father's request found in Mark 9:20 – 22?

- The literal meaning of the words "*help us*" is "*help us at once*". This father had no other resources for his son. It was a hopeless situation. What did Jesus say to this desperate father in Mark 9:23? (Write out the words of Jesus)

5. How did the father of the demon possessed young man respond to the words of Jesus according Mark 9:24? (Write out the father's reply)

- Have you ever cried out to God like this father did? (If you feel comfortable explain what happened that made you cry out to God)

6. Read Mark 9:25 – 27. How does this story end?

7. When Jesus had come into the house his disciples asked Him privately why they could not cast out this demon. What did Jesus say to them in Mark 9:29?

- According to Luke 9:28 what had Jesus previously been doing?

8. Summarize what Jesus taught on prayer and fasting found in Matthew 6:5 – 18?

- What did God teach us about fasting improperly and why it's important to fast in the way God has chosen according to Isaiah 58:3 – 11?