**[ Inductive Bible Study Question – LA UBF ]**

**Mark 9:14-29**

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| 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.[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Mark+9&version=NIV#fen-NIV-24568a)]” |

**I. General observation (What does the text say?)**

The first step in Inductive Bible Study is to get the **big picture**; to see the **forest** before the individual trees!

Focus on understanding the overall context and structure. Apply Observation tools selectively to the text situation.

**1. Identify a Genre of this chapter**

Historical Narrative

**2. Big Picture**

identified the background, historical context and overall sense of the entire book

🡪 Refer to the book of Mark gospel Introduction

**3. Factual Study**

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| **Read whole passage, divide the passage into different paragraphs and make your own subtitle for each paragraph (10 min)** |

**II. Observe and interpret paragraphs according to the following division.**

**1. Try to figure out this event using 5W1H.**

- Who (main characters) :

- When (time) :

- Where (place) :

- What (what happened?) :

**2.What are the emphasized or repeated words of the passage?**

**- emphasized word**

**- repeated word**

**3. Write down the contrasts and comparisons in the passage.**

**4. Write down the connections.**

**(**If condition, cause & effect etc)

**5. Write down the main points of this passage.**

(Consider the author's flow of thought)

**6. What are keywords and verses?**

**7. Write down the main thought of the passage in one sentence.**

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| **8. Interpretation & Application**  **(“What lesson does the passage give to the audience? & How can I apply the text to me?”)**  **1) Interpretive questions? (The questions that we make to get the lesson from the text)**  Ex) Why should we love one another?    **2) Interpretation**  **3) Apply the text to your life**   * **The Word that touched your heart** * **Examine yourself with the word and write what you find. (refer to the guideline)** * **What can you do to obey the word? (try to write specific action)** |

**III. Let’s share our application in the group taking a turn.**

**\* Guideline for application**

**Step1) Examine Ourselves**

Examine your life by asking nine questions in five areas.

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| **<Areas to Examine>**  My relation with God  My personal life  My relations with others  (family, church, work..)  My relation with the enemy  My world | **<Nine Questions>**  Is there an example for me to follow?  Is there a sin to avoid?  Is there a promise to claim?  Is there a prayer to repeat?  Is there a command to obey?  Is there a condition to meet?  Is there a verse to memorize?  Is there an error to mark?  Is there a challenge to face? |

**Step2) Make Action Plan**

1) Decide on a specific action (goal of meditation)

2) Application must be practical: - Practical / Measurable / Attainable

**Step3) Share your decision**

**Step4) Do action**

**Step5) Check your fruit of application**