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- (Mar 9:14) And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them.
- (Mar 9:15) And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him.
- (Mar 9:16) And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?"

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- (Mar 9:17) And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute.
- (Mar 9:18) And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able."

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- (Mar 9:19) And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me."
- (Mar 9:20) And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth.

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- (Mar 9:21) And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood."
- (Mar 9:22) And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us."
- (Mar 9:23) And Jesus said to him, "'If you can!' All things are possible for one who believes."

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- (Mar 9:24) Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!"
- (Mar 9:25) And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again."

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- (Mar 9:26) And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead."
- (Mar 9:27) But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose.

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- (Mar 9:28) And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?"

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- (Mar 9:29) And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

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- (Mar 9:33)"What were you discussing on the way?"
- (Mar 9:34) But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.
- (Mar 9:35) And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all."

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- 2) a life of serving

#Self Emptiness

The greatest treasures lie beneath the layers of self

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- (Mar 9:38) John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us."
- (Mar 9:39) But Jesus said, "Do not stop him, for no one who does a mighty work in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me."

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- (Mar 9:40) For the one who is not against us is for us.
- (Mar 9:41) For truly, I say to you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ will by no means lose his reward.

“Free agents”

- (Mar 5:19) And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you."
- (Mar 2:11) "I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home."
- (Mar 2:12) And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

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- 3) a life free from competition

Desiring to be more, is a migration away from the anointing

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- (Mar 9:49) For everyone will be salted with fire.
- (Mar 9:50) Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

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- 3) a life free from competition
- 4) a life full of salt
