

STUDIES FROM THE DESIRE OF AGES

Chapter *XLVII* - "*Ministry*"

- A. Read [Mark 9:23](#). Jesus told the distressed father of the demoniac: "All things are possible to him that believeth" Read [Romans 10:9, 10](#). Is this the kind of belief Jesus is referring to?
- B. Why did Jesus delay in healing the demon-possessed boy?
- C. The time Jesus spent with His Father on the mountain made Him better equipped for service in the plain below. What can we learn from Jesus' example?
- D. "In this state of darkness, they [the disciples] had undertaken the conflict with Satan." How do we reach a state of mind that is able to endure the daily conflicts with Satan?



1. Describe in your own words, how you would have felt as the disciples came down the mountain.
2. Why did Jesus give the instruction not to tell anyone about the mountain experience?
3. Who was hurt the most by the failure of the 9 disciples to cast out the demon, the boy, his father, the 9, the 3 disciples, or Jesus?
4. Who was Jesus talking to when He said, "O faithless generation...?"
5. Did the man believe in Jesus?
6. This statement is given on page 429, "You can never perish while you do this-never." What is she talking about?
7. Can we always expect to be in communion with Jesus on a mountain top experience? Why, why not?
8. Why couldn't the 9 cast the demon out?
9. Personal views: List a favorite section or some new thought from this reading.