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2. What's really _____ are the _____ that come in:
 - a. The fear of _____.
 - b. The fear that I'll never be good enough.
 - c. The fear that I'll always be _____.
 - d. The fear that no one's going to _____ for me.
 - e. The fear that I'll _____.
 - f. The fear that I don't have _____.
3. There's a _____ in knowing that God is a _____ yet, that He chooses not to _____ for healing.
4. There is great _____ in being able to say, "I will forever be _____ for those things I do have.
5. If God gave us the _____ for the whole plan, then where is there room for _____?
6. Even when you don't get a _____, you can _____.
7. It's all about one more _____ seeing _____.
8. Believing everyone should be _____ puts God in a _____.
9. The _____ of miracles is _____ in _____ and Him abiding in you.
10. It can be a _____ message to others that you find _____ and _____ in Jesus in spite of your circumstances.

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2. What's really **CRIPPLING** are the **FEARS** that come in:
 - a. The fear of **REJECTION**.
 - b. The fear that I'll never be good enough.
 - c. The fear that I'll always be **DIFFERENT**.
 - d. The fear that no one's going to **ACCEPT ME** for me.
 - e. The fear that I'll **BE ALONE**.
 - f. The fear that I don't have **ANY WORTH**.
3. There's a **TENSION** in knowing that God is a **LOVING GOD**, yet that He chooses not to **ANSWER EVERY PRAYER** for healing.
4. There is great **POWER** in being able to say, "I will forever be **GRATEFUL** for those things I do have.
5. If God gave us the **BLUEPRINT** for the whole plan, then where is there room for **FAITH**?
6. Even when you don't get a **MIRACLE**, you can **BE ONE**.
7. It's all about one more **PERSON** seeing **JESUS**.
8. Believing everyone should be **HEALED** puts **God** in a **BOX**.
9. The **MIRACLE** of miracles is **ABIDING** in **HIM** and Him abiding in you.
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- 1 Who, in your circle of friends and acquaintances, could you point to (first-or-no names only please) who you've seen overcome what could be seen as a disability and exhibit exemplary character in spite of their circumstances? What impressed you about them?
- 2 What do you think it might mean to suffer from a spiritual disability?
- 3 Do you ever feel as though, in some way, you're different than everybody else? If so, in what way and when did you first realize it? How might you learn to find joy in your every-day condition?

TAKING IT HOME – ON YOUR OWN

- 1 When Little James asks Jesus why, if it is possible and He is able, that He *hasn't* healed him, Jesus responds, "because I trust you." Is there a disability or something else in your life that's missing where you think Jesus may be giving you a similar answer? How will you respond to this?
Will you, as Jesus, in the vignette we watched, encouraged Little James, "know how to proclaim that you still praise God in spite of all of it? ...to know how to focus on all that matters – so much more than the body. To show people that you can be patient with your suffering here on earth because you will spend eternity with no suffering?"

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