

The Pass-the-Plate Devos

"Families passing on the faith as they pass their plates at the Family Table on the week of Sept 27th"



Mark 9:38-50

³⁸"Teacher," said John, "we saw a man driving out demons in your name and we told him to stop, because he was not one of us." ³⁹"Do not stop him," Jesus said. "No one who does a miracle in my name can in the next moment say anything bad about me, ⁴⁰for whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹I tell you the truth, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to Christ will certainly not lose his reward. ⁴²"And if anyone causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to be thrown into the sea with a large millstone tied around his neck. ⁴³If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where " 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁹Everyone will be salted with fire.

⁵⁰"Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with each other."

The Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**



Is it hard or easy for you to admit what you have done wrong?
Has this changed over time?



1. What did John say to Jesus about a man who was driving out demons in Jesus' name.
2. How did Jesus respond to John?
3. What does Jesus say about someone who gives a cup of water in Jesus' name?
4. What does Jesus say about someone who causes little ones to sin?
5. What does Jesus say to do to your body parts if they cause you to sin?
6. Do you think Jesus really means for us to cut off our hands if we sin? What do you think he means by this?



Do you like salt? Why or why not? What do we use salt for? Why might Jesus tell us to "have salt in ourselves?" How can we be a salty people?

Give up three days of TV this week – and instead, take time to talk and play with one another. May your time together be salty!