#### WHO IS THIS MAN?

# TENACIOUS FAITH Mark 7:24-30 Jeff Schreve

"I will not let you go unless you bless me." Genesis 32:26

**Tenacious** -- not easily relinquishing a position or course of action

Do you have a determined, tenacious faith?

# 1. The Lord will test your faith with silence.

But He did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and implored Him, saying, "Send her away, because she keeps shouting at us." Matthew 15:23

- A. The Lord is silent to see if you are serious.
- B. The Lord is <u>silent</u> to see if you will persist.

# 2. The Lord will test your faith with perceived indifference.

But He answered and said, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Matthew 15:24

## A. The Lord is not indifferent to your pain.

... the Lord is full of compassion and is merciful. James 5:11

### B. The Lord is not biased.

I most certainly understand now that God is not one to show partiality, but in every nation the man who fears Him and does what is right, is welcome to Him. Acts 10:34-35

### 3. The Lord will test your faith with endurance.

"Let the children be satisfied first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." Mark 7:27

"Yes, Lord, but even the dogs under the table feed on the children's crumbs." And He said to her, "Because of this answer go; the demon has gone out of your daughter." Mark 7:28-29

There are great blessings for those who refuse to quit.