

**Engage Bible Study: Luke 11: 14 – 54 –On His Way to Jerusalem  
January 16<sup>th</sup> –18<sup>th</sup>, 2012**



- A. Diverse Opinions**
- B. The Kingdom of God Has Drawn Near**
- C. The Blessedness of Obedience**
- D. The Sign of Jonah**
- E. Jesus Responds to the Pharisees and Teachers**

**Open Up:**

- Think about a time that you were getting closer to completing a major goal in your life. As the “goal line” approached what were your feelings? Did things get easier or harder?

**Dig In:**

- The crowds were aware of Jesus’ ministry before he casts out the mute demon. Jesus had already been identified as a rabbi in the area. Why do some in the crowd begin to turn against him?
- For many people hearing and obeying God can seem far from a blessing. What does it mean for you to be blessed by obeying God?
- How and in what circumstances have you come to God demanding a sign? What basic need would God giving you that sign have fulfilled?
- Have you ever been tempted to worry more about outward appearances than focusing on the inward pieces of your life?

**Move Out:**

- Jesus has some really harsh, but true, words for the Pharisees and the teachers who question him. He also has some harsh words for the crowds. This week take some time to reflect on these words and put yourself in the crowds’ or the Pharisees’ shoes. How do Jesus words sit?
- Jesus declares that he is the only sign that is needed. This week reflect on how Jesus’ ministry, death and resurrection can be the only sign that you need.

**Notes:**