Luke 9:37-45 (May 28, 2023) "The Authority of Christ"

OPENING QUESTION:

SERMON DISCUSSION: How were you impacted by the sermon? What new thoughts or lessons did you discover? In what ways did you find yourself challenged and/or encouraged?
READ Luke 9:37-45
1. Give details concerning the seriousness of the boy's problem and its apparent hopelessness (Mark 9:17-22; Luke 9:39-40, 42). In what ways do you relate regarding facing a hopeless situation?
2. Describe what Jesus did for the twelve disciples and the results from Luke 9:1-6. What do you learn?
Why do you think the disciples could not heal the boy (Matthew 17:14-20; Mark 9:28-29)?
3. What is the good news about Christ's authority in the healing of the boy? How is this a picture of redemption?

4. Jesus said to His disciples, "The Son of Man is about to be delivered into the hands of men". Share what is revealed about Jesus' authority in this statement and from the disciple's reaction (Luke 9:44-45).
5. Why do you think the disciples were afraid to ask Jesus what they did not understand? Have you had this experience? What did you do to move beyond this state of mind?
6. How does the truth of God's authority impact you? Is it a comforting truth, a terrifying truth, or a mysterious truth?