

The Confidence Trap
September 11, 2016
Study Questions
Mark 1: 9-18

1. How have you seen certainty hamper politics in our country?
2. How have you seen certainty hamper faith in our country?
3. When it comes to faith, do you veer more towards recklessness or resignation? Put another way, do you err on the side of too much or too little confidence in God and what he will do?
4. What is the allure of certainty over mystery? Which one are you more inclined to? Which one is Silicon Valley more inclined to?
5. What do you make of Jesus' baptism and temptation?
6. Have you ever noticed Jesus proclaiming the Gospel prior to his death and resurrection? What did you make of it?
7. What does the Gospel mean to you?
8. Utilizing only the life, work, death and resurrection of Jesus (without Paul, Luther et. Al.), what do you think the Gospel means?
9. Why are we more inclined to a system than a following of Jesus?
10. Challenge: Practice a simple prayer this week: "Jesus, where are you going and how can I follow you there?"