April 8th, 2024

Doubting the Kingdom

Matthew 11:1-19

- 1) Do you have friends or family members that have disconnected from church or are no longer following Christ? What has that experience been like for you? What do you think led them to that place?
- **2)** What can we learn from the way Jesus responds to John's doubts? How do we see his heart for those who are struggling, and how can we emulate that? What kinds of approaches might we want to avoid?
- 3) How can we discern between those struggling with doubt (John the Baptist) vs. those embracing unbelief (the crowds), and how does that impact the way we might talk to them?
- **4)** If you feel comfortable sharing, what is a past or present struggle that you've had with doubt? What do you think helped you (or *would* help you, if it's a present struggle) to work through it?
- **5)** Take a moment to identify specific people in your life who are struggling with faith or have walked away from Christ altogether. Spend some time in prayer for them, and consider how the Lord might have you reach out to them.