



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS | LUKE 7:29-35

1. Was there anything about the message today that stood out to you? Anything you'd like to discuss future?
2. Share a time when God did something that you didn't expect him to do. (positive or negative experience) How did you process the situation. What doubts did it create?
3. In today's passage we see different people respond to God in different ways. Discuss the various ways people respond to God today. Why do you think these people respond the way that they do?
4. Discuss the difference between doubt as a skeptic and doubt as a believer. If you became a Christian late in life how did you end up coming to believe the Gospel? If you became a Christian at a young age, how have you processed your own doubts?
5. There's a relationship between your experience of the power of God & faith in the person of Christ. How did John the Baptist have to change his mind about Jesus? What seems to be the most offensive thing about Jesus in our culture? Why?
6. Look at Luke 7:30. Why did the Pharisees and lawyers "reject the purpose of God?" Sometimes our religiosity (pride/arrogance around spiritual things) can cause us to be unnecessarily skeptical about the things of God. How might we see this today?
7. Jesus gives a parable about unbelief and skepticism. It's essentially the idea of children refusing to play the game unless they dictate the terms. How was this true of those who rejected Jesus then? How is it true of those who reject Jesus today?
8. In Luke 7:33-34 Jesus calls out the hypocrisy of the religious leaders and their rejection of John the Baptist and Jesus as Messiah. What reasons do people give for rejecting God today? What might we say in response to those objections? Skeptics today can have a similar kind of hypocrisy. How so? How do we avoid it?