

Doubting God Facing Your Insecurities

TALK IT OVER

Key Scriptures

... we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago. Ephesians 2:10 NLT

When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed stands here before the LORD." But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:6-7 NIV

"But Lord," Gideon replied, "how can I rescue Israel? My clan is the weakest in the whole tribe of Manasseh, and I am the least in my entire family!" Judges 6:15 NLT

Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times." And he went outside and wept bitterly. Luke 22:60-62 NIV

... "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38 NIV

Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. Acts 2:41 NIV

Find this in the Life.Church app.

Open the app, choose this message, then tap "Talk It Over."

Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- What's something that you feel confident doing?

Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- On a scale of 1-10, how confident are you? What would help you move that number closer to a 10?
- Read **Ephesians 2:10**. What would look different in your life if you lived like this verse was true of you?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- How often do you doubt yourself and your abilities? What truths about God do you need to remember when you're having doubts about yourself?
- Talk about an insecurity or failure that you've struggled with. In what ways could God use that experience for His glory?

Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

Father, thank You for using the overlooked, the insecure, and our failures for Your glory. Please help us remember that we are created by You, in Your image. When the world tells us that we can't, we ask that You would remind us that You specialize in using people like us to accomplish the impossible. In Jesus' name, amen.

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Watch the *You've Heard It Said* miniseries, *Permission to Doubt*, to hear stories from people who have walked through doubt: www.go2.lc/YHISdoubt
- Start the *Doubting God* Bible Plan using Plans With Friends: www.go2.lc/doubtingGod
- Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend or with a Local Mission Partner.