

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

“What to do When Your Faith is Failing” – Pastor Chad Gilligan

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1) How has the summer season changed for you over the years?

Read Matthew 11:1-3 – “After Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in the towns of Galilee. When John, who was in prison, heard about the deeds of the Messiah, he sent his disciples 3 to ask him, ‘Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?’”

2) Why is it important to figure out the “why” of your struggles?

3) Share a time where you had to acknowledge your struggles with your faith. How did it come about and what did you do about it?

Read Psalm 73:16-17 – “When I tried to understand all this, it troubled me deeply 17 till I entered the sanctuary of God; then I understood their final destiny.”

4) How has the presence of God changed your perspective in a situation?

5) How do you persevere when you feel like God is seemingly silent?

Read John 20:31 – “But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”

6) Share one thing that God has done for you that reminds you of His faithfulness.

7) What is your go-to scripture when facing doubt or difficulties?

Read Matthew 11:16-19 – “To what can I compare this generation? It is like children playing a game in the public square. They complain to their friends, 17 ‘We played wedding songs, and you didn’t dance, so we played funeral songs, and you didn’t mourn.’ 18 For John didn’t spend his time eating and drinking, and you say, ‘He’s possessed by a demon.’ 19 The Son of Man, on the other hand, feasts and drinks, and you say, ‘He’s a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of tax collectors and other sinners!’ But wisdom is shown to be right by its results.”

8) When you feel like you’re in a lose-lose situation, what helps you maintain a godly perspective?

Prayer: Take time to pray for any changes coming for those in your group.