

SERMON SERIES: 52
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Sermon Title:

“Do You Ever Doubt Your Doubts?”

Introduction

This week in our 52 series we are going to be discussing facing our doubts when it comes to our faith. It is not uncommon for us to have doubts, but what is important is what we do after we acknowledge our doubts. Do you believe what your doubts are telling you? How do you face them and know that they may not be true?

- Talk about a time when you doubted something that turned out to be true. It could be something like directions in the car or advice from a friend.

Seek the Word

- Read Matthew 11:1-3. Here we see John the Baptist question Jesus about who he is. Where else do we see people questioning Jesus about his identity in the Gospels?
- Read Matthew 11:4-6. Here Jesus responds to John the Baptist's doubts. How is this similar to the way he responds to other doubts about his identity? How is it different?

Go Deeper

Read Malachi 3:1-5. This is the passage Jesus quotes when talking about John the Baptist. How do you see this passage play out in the life and ministry of John the Baptist? How does that add to the lesson that Jesus is teaching while using this passage?

Talk About It

- The best way to deal with our doubts begins when we acknowledge them. John expresses his doubts to Jesus before Jesus responds. Take some time to share some of your doubts or worries with one another.
- As Drew reminded us on Sunday, sometimes we doubt God because we doubt ourselves. Do you see your doubts about yourself possibly being put on to God instead? How so?
- What are some of the promises of God that you need to hear this week? What are some ways that you can help yourself remember these promises?

Wrap Up

Reminder: Jesus will not meet your expectations, he will exceed them.

Challenge: Reflect on someone in your life who may also be struggling with doubts. Identify some encouragement that you can offer them and connect with them sometime this week.