

Bible Summary

Jude 22

When Faith Fails

Dominic Done spoke today about how faith and doubt go hand-in-hand. In church we often respond to doubt in two typical ways. 1) We demonize doubt and try to suppress or silence it, which only makes it grow. 2) Or we idolize doubt by spending all our energy deconstructing it to death. However, as Christians we can wrestle with our doubt as a natural part of of “living in the tension of unresolved faith.” Although encountering doubt is devastating, it can be redeemed when we grow to know, love, and trust God more as a result. In short, such a search will inevitably lead us to the conclusion that God Himself is the answer.

Scriptures: Jude 22, Exodus 32, Gen. 18:10-15, Habakkuk 1:2-4, 2 Cor. 12:7-10, Psalm 73:1-2

Bible Questions & Application

(These are meant to aid in facilitating conversation.

There is no obligation to run through **every** listed question.)

1. Did today’s message change or challenge your thinking on doubt? If so, how?
2. What is the difference between doubt and unbelief? (Clue: doubt can be a way to search for the truth; unbelief is unwillingness to believe)
3. Have you ever wrestled with God in your faith?
 - a. If not, why not?
 - b. If yes, what did you learn through that struggle? How did you overcome it? How did it change your relationship with God?
4. Have you seen doubt destroy or renew faith, either in yourself or in someone else? Explain.
5. Do you find it easier to express or suppress doubt? What are some healthy ways we can express doubt?
6. Dominic said, “Culturally we breathe the second-hand smoke of doubt.”
 - a. In what ways does today’s culture breed more doubt?
 - b. Why do you think the current generation struggles so much more with doubt than previous generations?
7. How can we show greater mercy to those who doubt?
8. Doubt can be redeemed when it leads us into a deeper relationship with God. Now that you’ve been given permission to doubt, what are you going to do with it?