

Argyle LifeGroup Study Guide: Luke, part 12, March 24, 2019

1. Read Luke 7:18-23 (Christian Standard Bible)

2. The worst thing we can do is act like we don't have any doubts.

People don't need for you to be strong, they need for you to be _____.

What does it mean to be "real"?

3. The physical as well as emotional strain was beginning to take it's toll.

The long days of waiting and wondering what was going on must have been very difficult.

So John expressed his doubt in Luke 7:18-19. What are your thoughts about this?

4. Who are some other great people of the faith who experienced times of doubt?

5. There is a big difference between doubt and _____.

Doubt is a struggle in our mind. It's when we cannot understand or see what God is doing

or why He is doing it. Unbelief is a struggle in our heart. It's when we refuse to believe what God

says and we choose to disobey Him. Discuss doubt and unbelief.

6. John could not see and he could not understand what God was doing, so he did exactly what all of us should do when we have doubts. He took his doubts directly to God and left them there.

How can we do that?

7. What are four things in life that can cause us to doubt and discuss each.

8. Read Hebrews 4:15. How did Jesus respond to John's doubt?

9. Read Philippians 1:6, Hebrews 12:2 and Ephesians 2:8-9

True Christians who have the Spirit of God can still experience doubt. But that doubt does not affect our eternal security with God. Real saving faith will always keep us to the end.

10. So what can help us with our doubts? Spending quality time with God in prayer.

Recognize that we are in a spiritual battle everyday. Ephesians 6:10-17

11. We overcome our doubt with the historical fact of the resurrection.

Read 1 Corinthians 15:17,20

Answers: 2 - real 5 - unbelief 7 - hard knocks, popular opinion, incomplete information, wrong expectations