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Wrestling With God

Luke 7:18-30

We tend to wrestle with God when...

Our experience conflicts with our beliefs

The result / consequences:

✓ We question our beliefs

✓ We question God

Truths we need to reaffirm / cling to:

✓ God is Good / He Cares

✓ God Knows Our Situation

✓ God is Able

Action Steps!

Confess...

✓ Who God Is

✓ What God Has Done

✓ What God Will Do



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Go Deep Study Guide

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Getting Started

What did you find most helpful from this week's sermon? Was anything confusing? Is there anything that needs clarification? Discuss as a group.

If you haven't heard the sermon yet, you can access it at: www.cbventura.org

Going Deeper

Re-read [Luke 7:18-30](#). Compare it against the parallel passage in [Matthew 11:2-19](#). What stands out to you? Do you see any differences?

What stood out to you in our passage? Share your thoughts and observations with your group.

Describe a time when you experienced a tragedy or setback that caused you to struggle with your faith? What happened? What did you do? What was most helpful to you during this time?

What beliefs did this time cause you to question? Have you been able to reconcile these beliefs? What has God taught you? Share with your group

What three things (from the sermon) are helpful to affirm during our time of struggle/trial? Can you think of different Scriptures that support these? List them

Read about Job's conclusion in Job 42:1-6 after his time of suffering. What does he determine?

What does the word [confess](#) mean according to Scripture? 1 John 1:9 is a famous passage that illustrates this meaning. Try doing a New Testament word study on [confess](#). What other things are we to confess?

What does it mean in verse 29 of our passage that the people who were baptized by John the Baptist [acknowledged God's justice](#) (NASB)? Read Matthew 3:1-12 & Mark 1:4. What kind of baptism did John preach? Relate this to what the word [confess](#) means.

Verse 30 of our text informs us that the Pharisees and lawyers rejected John's baptism. In so doing, what does Luke tell us that they also rejected? Discuss how these two things go together - repentance & God's purposes.

Share some amazing things that God has done in your life over the years. What things do you believe that God will do in the future?

What do you base this belief upon - prophecy, promises in Scripture?

Print a copy of the [Apostle's Creed](#) from the internet/Google and take some time reflecting upon what we believe as Christians.

Application

What's one way that you can practice what you've learned?

Who will help you & hold you accountable?

Prayer

How can your group pray for you? If you don't have a group and you're doing this study individually, feel free to email your request to the CBC staff.

