

WEEK 3

DISCUSSION GUIDE

REASONABLE DOUBT

Have you ever heard someone say something that seemed unreasonable? Maybe they told a story or made a statement that was hard for you to believe. It's not always easy to ask questions or express doubt when other people seem so certain, and that's especially true when it comes to faith. If you ask hard questions about God or are honest about the things you're not sure about, what will people think? Will they judge you? Will they laugh at you? But in this four-week series from the Gospels, we'll see it really is possible to have questions and doubts while still having faith. Through Scripture, we'll discover that when we have doubts and questions, we don't need to ignore them or sweep them under the rug. Instead, we can **look to Jesus, look to the Holy Spirit, look to God's words, and look for God in unexpected places.**

THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

When you still have questions, look to God's words.

BIBLE

Luke 24:44-53; 2 Timothy 3:16-17;
Hebrews 4:12

QUESTIONS

- What's one question you wish you knew the answer to?
- What's a question you've asked (or Googled) recently that led you to learn something interesting or surprising?
- What's a question some people might have about God or faith that isn't clearly answered in the Bible? Why don't you think it's more clearly addressed in Scripture?
- What are some deeper questions that might be beneath those questions? What does the Bible say about those questions?
- Sometimes Jesus-followers don't agree about how Scripture answers some of our big questions. Why do you think that is?
- When Jesus-followers disagree about what God's words are saying, what do you think we should not do? What can we do instead?
- Read Hebrews 4:12. Have God's words ever helped you better understand your own actions, thoughts, or feelings? If so, how did that help you grow?
- What challenges you do you sometimes face when trying to get answers from God's words? What do you think might help?
- What's one thing God has taught you through Scripture? How has it helped you grow?
- This week, what's one question you want to explore further? How will you do that?

ACTIVITY

Choose a big question to explore together and use the S.P.A.C.E. checklist to search for answers. Say what you're wondering. Pray for help. Ask for clarity. Capture your thoughts. Then explore God's answers together.