

THE GOSPEL

ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE

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Jesus, John and the Pharisees | Luke 7:24-35

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S U M M A R Y

This past weekend we looked at Jesus' conversation with the crowds and Pharisees about who John the Baptist was. We explored how our pride, fear, and expectations can cause us to miss out on what God is doing in the world. The invitation is to be a child of wisdom, embracing humility and curiosity, submitting our expectations to the Spirit and following wherever he leads us.

R E A D

Luke 7:24-35

Pause. Take time to prayerfully consider what has been read.

D I S C U S S

- 1) What do you think Jesus means when he says "I tell you, among those born of women there is no one greater than John; yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he."
- 2) Luke writes that "the Pharisees and the experts in the law rejected God's purpose for themselves." Can you relate to this at all? Is there a time you've missed out on what God is up to because of pride and judgment?
- 3) The religious spirit tells us if we follow it we will be safe and secure. Why do we long for safety and security so much?

- 4) Wisdom is marked by humility and curiosity. How have you been surprised by curiosity in your past?
- 5) Where have you been able to see God in your week?

R E S P O N D

Sit with Jesus and ask where pride and judgment may be affecting a relationship in your life? Sit and listen to him. Ask for wisdom in how to walk in his way towards this person.

Humility and curiosity don't naturally happen, we need to work them. What is one SMALL way that you can practice either humility or curiosity this week?

*Share how the Spirit is inviting you to respond today and the week to come – to **be with** Jesus, to **become like** Jesus, or to **do what** Jesus does.*

P R A Y

Ask Jesus to give you eyes to see signs of the kingdom this week. Pray for wisdom, humility, and curiosity of the kingdom.

Take time to wait and pray together. What is Jesus praying for? Come into agreement with His prayers.

