

Sunday Connection Luke 17 questions

Welcome

Summary Luke 17:5-10

Alex looked at the two stories Jesus uses to explain how faith increases. First that healthy faith is not about size but what it is focussed on. Mustard seed (very small) faith, if it's in God, can hurl trees into oceans! Secondly, it is not focussed on earning God's thanks, but serving God's purposes. Even after the servant has worked hard and long he has not earned the gratitude of his master but simply done what was his duty.

Some questions that might stimulate discussions

1. Have you ever prayed 'increase my faith'? What stimulated that prayer?
2. What most challenged or encouraged you from the teaching this morning?
3. What might you change about how you relate to Jesus from this morning's teaching?
4. Imagine yourself as the servant in Jesus' second story - what most challenges you about identifying with that servant?
5. Do you have an expectation of thanks from God when you have been especially hard working or sacrificial? What might this story of Jesus' say about that and your faith at that moment?
6. How do we cultivate obedience to Jesus that is not trying to earn or expect gratitude from God?
7. What major lessons do you take away from today?