ARE YOU THE ONE?



REFLECT/CONNECT

 If you could ask Jesus any question, what would you ask him?

PREPARE YOUR HEART & MIND

 Begin this time in prayer, confessing any sins you can recall, thanking the Lord for the gift of His Word, and asking for His Spirit to guide you in your time.

REFLECT/CONNECT

 Use these questions for a time of individual reflection or to connect with others in meaningful conversation.

GROW IN THE WORD

 These questions are designed as a guide for individual study and to foster spiritual conversation with a group of people.





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GROW IN THE WORD

01.	Imprisoned in the midst of Jesus' public ministry, John the Baptist sent his followers to
	ask Jesus if he was the promised Messiah. John's followers did as instructed and asked
	Jesus to identify himself (v. 1-3).

•	Why do you think John questioned Jesus' identity as the Messiah? In other words, v	what factors
	might have led John to doubt his view of Jesus? Compare this passage to Matthew 3	3:11-17 and
	John 1:29-34.	

•	In what ways ha	ave unmet expectations o	r adversity led you to	doubt or question Jesus?

• How can you find reassurance and hold fast to your faith when you run into disappointment or face adversity?

- **02.** Jesus replied to John's followers and answered their question by citing prophecy from the book of Isaiah about the coming Messiah. Jesus indicated its fulfillment in and through his public ministry (v. 4-6).
- How would you describe Jesus' posture toward John's followers when they questioned him?

PCOMING

GROW IN THE WORD

• In what ways does Jesus' response affirm his identity, and how does his response deeply affirm yet also challenge John? See Isaiah 26:19; 29:18-19; 35:5-6; 61:1. Additionally, compare Isaiah 40:3-5 with Matthew 3:1-3.

• How can this passage positively impact how you view and approach Jesus? Take note of Jesus' final words in verse 6.

ON MISSION: JUNE 24

Children's Hunger Fund | 9 am

Wayside loves partnering with CHF to assemble FoodPaks for distribution across San Antonio and around the world to those in need. Learn more online or in our app - registration opens soon!

WOMEN'S SUMMER GATHERING

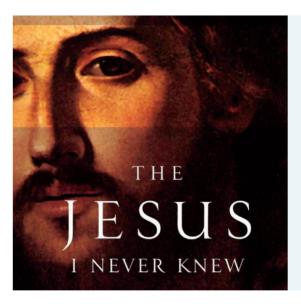
Tuesday June 617 pm | Fellowship Hal

Ladies, join us for a fun evening of games and fellowship at our next event! Invite a friend to join you, bring your favorite game, and come ready for a great evening together! Register online or in the app.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



You can find links to these resources on our series page: waysidechapel.org/questions



The Jesus I Never Knew

By Philip Yancey

From the manger in Bethlehem to the cross in Jerusalem, Philip Yancey presents a complex character who generates questions as well as answers--a disturbing and exhilarating Jesus who wants to radically transform your life and stretch your faith.

In The Jesus I Never Knew, Yancey:

- Cuts through existing views and preconceptions of Jesus, citing experts from church history, modern history, and popular culture
- Discusses how different people and cultures view Jesus
- Dissects popular quotes about Jesus
- Points us back to the Bible

The Prisoner In the Third Cell

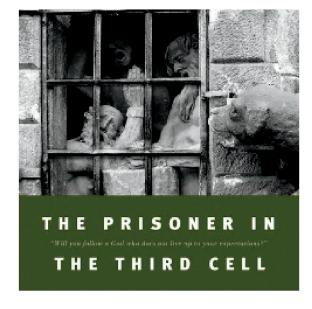
By Gene Edwards

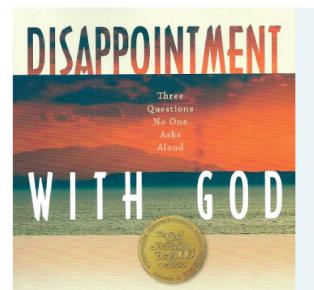
"The blade is raised above you. Death stands beside you. Die, my brother John, in the presence of a God who did not live up to your expectations." Once more the pen of Gene Edwards has crafted a masterfully told and profoundly moving story.

The Prisoner in the Third Cell is a book of comfort, told as an unforgettable drama, for those caught up in circumstances they do not understand.

As John the Baptist awaits his execution in prison, he struggles to understand a Lord who isn't the Messiah he expected.

If you are a suffering Christian or know of one, this book will bring enormous comfort—and insight into the ways of God.





Disappointment With God

By Philip Yancey

Do you feel like you've been let down by God? Abandoned by the One who was supposed to come to your rescue when you needed it most? You've come to the right place. Philip Yancey has a gift for articulating and answering some of the most honest, complex issues of faith.

Yancey poses three questions that Christians wonder but rarely feel permission to voice:

- If God is so hungry for relationship with us, why does he seem so distant?
- If God cares for us, why do bad things happen?
- If God's promises are true, why do they feel so far off from personal experience?