DOUBLITERS

I'M DOUBTING MY FAITH!?

WHY WASN'T MY PRAYER ANSWERED! IS GOD GOOD?

CAN GOD USE ME?

AUTHENTIC CONVERSATIONS ABOUT REAL DOUBTS WE HAVE



PRAYING FOR OTHERS

- Pray silently for the prayer request printed in your worship guide.
- Our Preschool
- Our small group led by Mark & Denise Christensen
- Our North Katy Campus
- Neighboring church service this morning at St Mattias Anglican Church
- The Ban*jar of Indonesia
- Conflicts in the Middle East and Eastern Europe

We ask all this for the glory of Your name.

<u>Join us May 1-3</u> for National Day of Prayer and Fire on The Altar. Worship begins at 7PM on May 1st for a National Day of Prayer celebration at Katy Community Fellowship, and continues non-stop until Saturday May 3rd in the Vista at Grace Fellowship.

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Doubters Anonymous

"Doubting God's Goodness" Psalm 73 – April 27, 2025

Spring Sermon Series

DOUBTERS ANONYMOUS					
Authentic Conversations About Real Doubts We Have					
Date	Message Title	Bible Text			
April 19/20	Doubting My Faith (Easter weekend)	John 20:1-31			
April 27	Doubting God's Goodness	Psalm 73			
May 4	Doubting Prayer (Graduating Senior Sunday)	Mark 9:14-29			
May 11	Doubting God Can Use Me (Mother's Day)	Ephesians 2:10			

Who is Asaph?

- Asaph was a Levite singer/musician appointed by David and continued under Solomon (1 Chronicles 6:39; 15–16).
- He was the original "worship pastor" of Israel.
- Twelve psalms are attributed to him: **Psalm 73-83**.
- He was also a seer/prophet: See 2 Chronicles 29:30.
- He was a spiritual insider & leader. Yet, he had doubts.

Main Idea for This Series: Faith	is not the absence of doubt, rather		
faith is	_ in spite of your doubts.		
Begins With Honesty:			
Intellect (v. 4)			

- Intellect (v. 1)
 - "Truly God is good to... those pure in heart."
 - Sunday School answer: "God is good... all the time."
 - But it creates a problem...
- Feeling (v. 2-3)
 - o "But as for me... my steps had nearly slipped."
 - He is jealous of the prosperity of the wicked.

- **Observation** (v. 4-12)
 - They seem to be doing great ("no trouble as others").
 - o What about the blessings & curses of **Deut. 28**?
 - Proverbs 13:21 Disaster pursues sinners, but the righteous are rewarded with good.
- Asaph's First Conclusion "It's All in Vain" (v. 13-15)
 - Ecclesiastes 1:2 Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.
 - 1 Corinthians 15:32 If the dead are not raised,
 "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die."

beginning of intimacy with God. Where do you need to get hone with God (and your community) about how you actually feel?	st

Takeaway: God can handle your honesty. Honesty with God is the

Stops to Think: _____

- **Thinking** (v. 16)
 - o God wants us to think! Faith is not anti-thinking.
 - Asaph tries to understand it all, but it's too overwhelming. That is, until...
- A Shift in the Sanctuary (v. 17)
 - Thinking + worship + community leads to godly discernment.
- Proverbs 18:1 Whoever isolates himself seeks his own desire; he breaks out against all sound judgment.
- **Hebrews 10:24** And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

- Ben Stuart: "What you think about is what you care about; and what you care about is what you chase."
- Asaph's Second Conclusion Their Real End (v. 18-22)
 - "Truly you set them in slippery places..."
 - Verse 2: "I almost slipped"
 - Romans 1:28 And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done.
 - Verse 22: "I was like a beast towards you..."

Takeaway : Where are you letting your emotions dictate your
thinking? Honesty with God is good, but maturity means preaching
perspective into your pain. Where is God calling you to slow down,
step into His sanctuary, and discern the end?

 	 	

Ends With Doing: _____

- Nevertheless (v. 23-24)
 - Even after doubting & envying, God still holds him.
 - God doesn't rebuke him; He remains with him.
- He Doesn't Get answers; He Gets Presence (v. 25-28)
 - He returns to his Portion (Deut. 10:9).
 - As a Levite, the Lord was his portion/inheritance.
- 1 Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.
- Matthew 13:34 The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and covered up. Then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

Takeaway : You may not get the explanation you want, but you will
get the God you need. Is Jesus your treasure? Is He your portion?
Your doubts are real; but His presence is great. What do you need
to surrender in order to say, "Whom have I but you?"

CONCLUSION: Jesus is the Treasure

- Philippians 3:7-11 But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.
- Corrie Ten Boom: "You'll never know that Jesus is all you need, until Jesus is all you have."

Thank You, Grace Fellowship!

It has been the honor of my life to serve as your Teaching Pastor these past (almost) 4 years. Jen and I have loved every second: Sunday mornings, lobby conversations, baptisms, funerals, baby dedications, tears, laughter. We love this church. We love you. Keep being a "house of prayer for all nations" who seek to "make disciples who make disciples." We will miss you dearly. You will always be family to us!

- Tyler, Jen, Emery Kay, Ty, Malachi





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2 CORINTHIANS 9:11

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NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday, May 1 at 7PM

Katy Community Fellowship 24102 Kingsland Blvd. Katy TX, 77494



- 1. Join Us for the National Day of Prayer Invite your family, friends, or church to gather at Katy Community Fellowship on Thursday at 7PM.
- 2. Celebrate at Our Friday Night Pizza Party or Saturday Family Day Bring your church and friends to:
 - Friday Night Pizza Party & Gospel Message | 6-8PM
 - Saturday Family Day | 3-7PM
 (Both events at Grace Fellowship in The Vista)
- 3. Engage in Community Worship & Scripture
 Bring your small group to:
 - Public Reading of Scripture | Friday, May 2 from 9-11AM
 - Closing Worship Night | Saturday, May 3 from 7–9PM (Both at Grace Fellowship in The Vista)



FIRE ON THE ALTAR

50 Hours of Non-Stop Worship & Prayer Begins right after the National Day of Prayer Grace Fellowship Church (The Vista)

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