

“What to Do When We Doubt”

Luke 7:18-28

Introduction

- I. Have we ever been guilty of doubting the truth of the Bible?
- II. What should we do when doubts enter?
- III. It might surprise you how many have done the same thing!

Discussion

- I. John was a great man of God, but even he doubted (Luke 7:18-28).
 - A. Please notice that Jesus did not condemn John, but rather provided evidence to support his faith (v. 22; Heb. 11:1, 6).
 - B. In like manner, we need to take time to examine the evidence, which is overwhelming (Psm. 19:1; cf. all of the prophecies that were made and fulfilled).
- II. Take also the example of Thomas (John 20:24-29).
 - A. Thomas was an apostle, yet he was not convinced with the testimony of other apostles (v. 25).
 - B. Thomas wanted the evidence, and once it was supplied, he no longer doubted (v. 28).
- III. Then there was Peter, and his lack of faith (Luke 14:23-33).
 - A. Again, this is an apostle who had an attack of doubt!
 - B. So long as Peter focused on Jesus, he was just fine.
 - C. Once we take our eyes off of Jesus, that is when doubt arises.

Conclusion

- I. Do not be too hard on yourself if you have ever had doubt.
- II. We can do something to make our faith grow (Rom. 10:17).