Weekend Message Questions Fractured Faith - April 23/24, 2022

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CHECK-IN: Check with the members of your group to see how they are doing. Who did last week's DIY and how did it go? (Make plans to attend the new series together.)

BIG IDEA: Fractured Faith

Definition: Fractured Faith: questioning and wrestling with previously held Christian beliefs, Christian leadership disappointments, and Christian community disillusionment.

DISCUSS:

• Have you experienced a time when you felt your faith was fractured?

READ: Luke 15:1-2 DISCUSS:

- What were the tax collectors and notorious sinners looking for?
- Why did the Pharisees and teachers of the religious law take issue with this?

READ: Luke 15:3-7

DISCUSS:

- Is there someone who comes to mind when you hear this parable?
- What is it that could cause someone to wander find themselves lost?
- What could cause someone to wander away from the church?

READ: Luke 15:8-10

DISCUSS:

- Have you ever been disappointed by a leader or hurt intentionally by another believer?
- How did you feel?

READ: Luke 15:11-32 DISCUSS:

- Who were the Pharisees and teachers of the religious law in this parable?
- Have you either: rebelled in a way that you didn't care who you hurt or been hurt by someone who was rebelling in this way?

What are some feelings that come with Disappointment? How can those feelings lead to a place of doubt?

DISCUSS:

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- When you experience disappointment and it leads you to a place of doubt you will end up in a place of deconstruction (fractured faith). What you once believed is questioned and this leads to a place of disbelief/unbelief or place where your faith is reconstructed. How does this relate to the parable of the lost sheep, the lost coin, the lost son, or something you have experienced?
- While we wrestle, while we seek, what encouragement do you hear in Genesis 32:24-28 and James 4:8?

DIY: Download the Breakdown podcast this week. Hopefellowship.net/podcasts

Pray to close. Can you use prayer? <u>https://hopefellowship.net/prayer-request/</u>