

Mar 10 – Leader’s Guide – Luke 7:18-35 “Expectations”

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1. What are some of our unsaid expectations when it comes to continuing being Christians today, as people who keep following Jesus Christ?
2. Jesus' response to John's question is a quotation from a few pieces of prophetic scripture, implying that messianic prophecies are being fulfilled all along. However, Jesus is fulfilling them in ways that were not initially expected. In what ways do we witness the kingdom of God unfolding in our lives and around us that confound or even disrupt our own expectations?
3. Jesus condemned the religious crowds for their fickleness in matters of messianic expectations. Jesus called them a bunch of kids who couldn't make up their minds. In what ways do we and the modern church fall into fickleness even in our own faith?
4. Jesus concludes that wisdom is proved by her children. That is, having childlike faith in Jesus no matter--taking Jesus at His word like a child--is what wisdom looks like. Those who are not offended by Jesus are blessed. How do we foster in ourselves and in others childlike faith? What does childlike faith look like?