




COMMUNITY GUIDE

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WEEKLY APPLICATION

TAKEAWAY: “I can live faithful to follow Jesus in a world where being a Christian isn’t normal.”

HEAD CHANGE: Doubts are not inherently evil.

HEART CHANGE: God is not surprised or annoyed by your skepticism.

LIFE CHANGE: Our doubts and questions about faith can drive us to a deeper relationship with Christ.

OVERVIEW

Post-Christianity & the Deconstruction of Faith

Christianity being influenced by culture more than Christ is not a new thing. However, there is something slightly new that is happening. If you have been feeling that our culture is rapidly changing in some unique ways, you are right. We are living in a time of unprecedented deconstruction. In face of this temptation and moment, the invitation of Jesus remains the same, “follow Me”. With our doubts, insecurities, and questions, we resist the urge to settle in deconstruction and walk into a deeper faith, a reconstructed faith.

“Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.”

-Romans 12:2 (NLT) -

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you in this teaching and why?
2. What stage of Deconstruction do you find yourself currently in?
3. What difficulties do you face when it comes to the Bible? (e.g., fear, confusion, boredom, skepticism, etc.)
4. Who are you comfortable sharing your doubts with? If no one, what would it take to help you become more comfortable?
5. Have you considered joining Alpha?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Father, thank you for caring for and loving me even when my faith in you wavers. Help us to become a people, a church, that makes Jesus our Lord. We ask for a sweeping renewal of the Holy Spirit in our lives, families, schools, and city. Holy Spirit, would you stir within us a desire to be with you in prayer and help us serve God, one another, and our neighbor in love. Amen.

IN THIS TOGETHER!