

LIFE Group Sermon Questions

The Center of Everything: Confessing

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Luke 9:18-20



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Sermon Outline

- I. The confusion of the crowds (Luke 9:18-19)
- II. The confession of the disciples (Luke 9:20)

Discussion Questions

1. What did you learn today from the Scripture passage(s) that you didn't know before? What is something that hit you in a fresh way?

2. In your own words, why is it good that God has given us four different accounts of Jesus' earthly life?

3. Why do you think prayer is so difficult for us? What keeps you from pursuing it more than you do (time, ability, etc.)? How does Jesus' pattern of prayer in Luke encourage you to press on?

4. What are some other views of Jesus that exist in our world? What are some examples of views that are outright wrong? What are some examples of views that are partially right? Why is a partially right view of Jesus still wrong?

5. How do we come to know who Jesus really is? What are a few Bible verses or passages you could stow away in your mind and heart to keep him in view (and share with others)?

6. How has knowing what *others* think about Jesus helped you help them know Jesus better?

7. Pastor Josh mentioned three things we can do that will help us answer Jesus' first question: we can ask, listen, and pray. Which of these do you feel most weak? How can your group pray for you as you seek to put them all into practice?

8. In your own words, why does it matter that *you* know who Jesus is (Luke 9:20)?

9. How do you think a clear view of Jesus (and pressing on to know him more and more) would help you in the work Jesus has given you to do...

- ...at home?
- ...in the office?
- ...in your neighborhood?
- ...at church?

10. Peter confess that Jesus is “the Christ of God,” the promised Savior and the Lord of all. Which of these twin truths do you think our world has a harder time swallowing? Why?

11. Why is it important that Jesus is *both* Savior *and* Lord? Why is it important that we *see* him as both Savior and Lord?

12. What do you think it means to be *blessed* (see [Matthew 16:17](#)) in knowing and believing in Christ? What do you think it *doesn't* mean to be blessed?