# JESUS: THE HEART CHANGER

From a Doubting Heart to a Confident Heart, Luke 7:18-35 April 22, 25-26, 2015: Cam Huxford, Senior Pastor

John 20:29, Jude 22 NIV

The reason the Lord Jesus takes such a compassionate position toward those with questions is that doubt is not a destination – it's a <u>waypoint</u> on your spiritual journey.

Doubt is what you face on the way to a new place spiritually: either good or bad.

Luke 3:15-16, 19-20 NIV, John 1:29

"Doubt is not always a sign that a man is wrong, it may be a sign that he is thinking." - Oswald Chambers

Unbelief and doubt are not the same thing. Unbelief is a matter of the will – a refusal to believe. Doubt is a season of questioning that is often triggered by circumstances. James 1:12

## Why We Struggle With Doubt:

1. Our Bible knowledge is inadequate.

2. Our emotions fluctuate.

Faith in Jesus is about a commitment to follow Him...not about feeling spiritually high all the time!

3. We can struggle with doubts because of our personality types.

- 4. We can struggle with doubts because of our past pain.
- 5. Our willful disobedience to God. Psalm 10:4 NIV
- 6. We avoid <u>commitment</u>.

Doubt is an <u>unsustainable</u> season of questioning that WILL push you in one direction or another. *Titus* 1:15 NIV, Luke 23:4 NIV

Unbelief is refusal to believe...to trust. It is not uncertainty in the intellect. It is a decision of the will.

Jesus didn't expect John to take a leap into the darkness. He gave John evidence so he could make a leap into the <u>light!</u>

If you are willing to believe, there are answers for every doubt.

S- Scripture	Luke Reading Plan - Week 7		
O- Observation	1. Luke 9:10-20	2. Luke 9:21-27	3. Luke 9:28-43a
A- Application	4. Luke 9:43b-50	5. Luke 9:51-62	6. Luke 10:1-12
P- Prayer	7. Luke 10:13-24		

# **Ministry Opportunities**

For more information about these and other events, go to SavannahChristian.com/Events.

#### **Compassion Project**

#### 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, May 2

#### Across Savannah

Choose compassion and join us as we partner with local organizations and schools to complete a variety of service projects. Let's show God's love to people in our community. Find out more and sign up for a project in the lobby by Wednesday, April 29. Bring your family or Life Group and experience this together.

#### **National Day of Prayer**

### 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. Thursday, May 7

#### Chatham County Courthouse, 133 Montgomery St.

One of the most powerful things we can do as a body of believers is to come together in prayer. Join us as we gather with other believers from throughout Chatham County to pray for our nation and its leaders.

#### Summer Camps

Registration for our elementary, middle and high school summer camps is open for students currently in kindergarten through grade 12. Camp has a huge impact on the lives and faith of our students. Each year many make decisions for Christ during camp. For more information and to register, visit SavannahChristian.com.

#### **Children's Ministry Re-Registration**

In order to move children up to the next age group in Kidstreet and Elevate, all parents must re-register their children by Sunday, May 17. Children will move up on June 3, 6 and 7. Please re-register your child at the station outside the children's check-in area.

#### Growing in the Son Enrollment for 2015-2016

Growing in the Son is a weekday preschool at Henderson Campus that provides a Christian learning environment for children 2 years old through kindergarten. Enrollment forms for the 2015-2016 school year are available in the school office and at SavannahChristian.com. For more information, contact Michele at 912-629-4734, 912-629-7494 or mnewsome@savannahchristian.com.