

John the Baptist – Dungeons of Doubt.
Leaders Discussion Notes on Matthew 11:1-11
For Home Groups week beginning 4th October 2010.

Welcome

Q: If you could change one thing about your life what would it be?

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Q: Please read Matthew 3:1-14.

Q: From these verses describe the sort of person you think John was and the qualities he needed to serve God.

Q: Please read Mark 6:17-29.

Q: Identify all the different parts that sin and evil played in this account.

Now to our text. The two previous passages come together in Matthew 6. John the Man of God, meets the corrupt and evil reign of Herod...

Q: Please read Matthew 11:1-6

Q: In what ways can following Jesus cause difficulties for us? Should Christians avoid confronting evil and injustice?

Q: How do you think John might have felt languishing in prison?

Q: What do you think his prayers are about? What are his disciple's prayers about?

Q: What did Jesus actually do? Matthew 11:1-2a

Q: Why did John's disciples ask "Are you the one or should we expect someone else"?

Q: Has there ever been a time when you have been disappointed with God or doubted God's goodness or sovereignty? (if you are really there, then why am I here?!).

Q: What should we expect and hope for from God? Has God promised us justice and salvation in this life?

Q: Is it OK to ask God what he is up to and to express your feelings to God?

Q: How did Jesus help John's disciples to put their faith in him? What does that mean for us?