★ BCC Connection Group Questions: April 14, 2024 (Week 11) | What Do I Believe? - Part 3 [Note: Each Campus will be preaching something different]

READ: John 20:31, James 1:5-8, Isaiah 41:10

OPEN:

- o Share a God moment from your week.
- o Are you currently wrestling with a doubt in your life? Share briefly.
- o Why is it important to have questions and doubts?

BIG IDEA:

What do I do when I don't know what to believe:

- o Continue to Ask the right questions (Questions to Sharpen us)
- o Have Conversations in the community (Don't Isolate)
- o Search Context Search the Bible and truth (Facts to base our faith on)
- o Discuss these three questions will determine every decision you make (and behavior):
 - 1) Who is God to me? (Theology) Share within your group this question.
 - 2) Who am I to God? (Identity) Share your thoughts on who you are to God.
 - 3) Who are we? (God's People) Share how we are to relate and be God's people.

READ: John 20:31

DIG:

- o In the Gospel of John (John 20:31) it states, "but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." What is the role of Scripture when it comes to understanding who God is, who we are, and how we related to one another?
- o What is the tension between doubting and believing, as found in John 20:31?
- o How can doubting for a long period of time lead one away from a life in Christ?

READ: James 1:5-8

DIG:

- o James 1:5 speaks about "asking for wisdom." What is the role of wisdom in the face of doubt?
- o James 1:6 emphasizes the role of faith. How does faith function as an anchor of the soul when we doubt?
- o How can doubt lead us to have a double-minded approach and perspective?

REFLECT & PRAY:

- Reflect on Isaiah 41:10, "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." This verse reminds us that God is present with us in our struggles, offering strength and assistance.
- o Pray for the doubts you are wrestling with and ask the Holy Spirit to strengthen your faith.

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VISION OPPORTUNITIES:

ENCOUNTER CONFERENCE: The Encounter Conference is a transformative experience that doesn't happen often. You want to get your teens in this environment. June 19-21 at Victory Family Church in Cranberry (Wednesday night-Friday night) \$85 covers ALL costs - registration and transportation. Lodging and food

GROWTH TRACK May 19 | NB Campus | 5-8pm : Growth Track is designed to strengthen the foundation of your relationship with Jesus. These classes will provide you with knowledge and resources to help you and the community around you grow in your faith. Whether you are new to Bridge City or have been here for years, this is for you!