

# John the Baptist

## Luke 7:18-30

### Discern—The Need

- **Doubts**—Everyone has them
- **John the Baptist**—Had doubts about Jesus identity

### Embrace—The Word

- **Doubt** (vv 18-20)—John had doubts about the identity of Jesus
  - In prison by the hand of Herod
  - John began to doubt what he thought he knew to be the truth about Jesus
- **Determine** (vv 21-23)—Jesus helped John determine the truth of Jesus identity
  - Jesus didn't impact John personally
  - Jesus may not give you the 'Miracle!'
- **Diminish** (vv 24-28)—Jesus doesn't see your worth diminished by momentary doubt
  - Even though John struggled with belief
  - The people gave testimony to John's greatness
- **Decision** (vv 29-30)—Some people will see evidence and believe, others will choose not to believe
  - Those who humble themselves before God and stand in His righteousness
  - *Pharisees and experts*—Those who were willing to stand in their own righteousness

### Engage—The Truth

- **You've had moments of Doubt?**—
  - A season of Doubt does not \_\_\_\_\_ who you are in Christ Jesus
  - A season of Doubt does not \_\_\_\_\_ your value to Christ Jesus
  - A season of Doubt simply brings a \_\_\_\_\_