

Taking Faith to the Next Level

Luke 17:5-10

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Question: How do we grow our faith, make it stronger?

I. The Context (Luke 17:1-4) Stumbling blocks and forgiveness

II. A Passionate Request and a Strange Parable (Luke 17:5-10)

A. The challenge of forgiving

B. How much faith they *really* have

C. A parable that doesn't help (or does it?)

III. What's This Really About?

A. Students often miss this

B. This is about *that*???

C. Keeping commands = the *minimum* standard (= unworthy servants)

D. God knew we might not get it, so...(Luke 17:11-18)

Discussion Questions

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from the sermon (besides buying your wife flowers)?
2. Why is forgiveness of others so hard for us when we have been forgiven so much?
3. Do you assume you have “some faith but could use more”?
4. Why does Jesus make understanding His point so difficult sometimes? How might that relate to increasing our faith?
5. If obedience to God's commands is the Divine “minimum standard”, what grade would you give yourself in God's classroom?
6. Does it make sense that God is not looking for slaves but for lovers? Why or why not?
7. What will a lover want to do that a slave never will?
8. If this is all true, what can you do this week that will “Take your faith to the next level”?

