Expect the Unexpected.

Luke

Jesus and John

Luke 7:18-35



A Question of Faith

- We struggle when God's actions do not line up with our expectations (vv. 18–20)
- Jesus' actions indicate that reaching people with the gospel is His priority (vv. 21–23)
- Salvation in Christ offers greater <u>blessings</u> than what the greatest <u>prophets</u> of the old era experienced (vv. 24–28)

A Question of Faith

• Only those who <u>humble</u> themselves before God and His plan can experience the blessings of His <u>kingdom</u> (vv. 29–35)

Putting it into Practice

- Learn to <u>accept</u> the unexpected through humble submission to God and His plan
- Be prepared to face the <u>opposition</u> that our faithfulness will provoke
- Refocus our priorities to make Jesus' mission the main focus of our lives
- Be encouraged that God has equipped us for our mission (cf. v. 28)