

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

These questions are designed to extend the impact of the Sunday message. Feel free to use them for your personal study time, your family, or your Family Group.

MESSAGE OVERVIEW

During Jesus' life on earth, he was frequently at odds with the expectations others had for him. As he sought to do his Father's will, he found himself constantly in conflict with the religious elite of his day. As the church, our mission ought to be a continuation of Jesus' ministry, which may often call us to be a different kind of church.

READ LUKE 7:31-50**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

Talk about a time in your life when you realized what you thought was true turned out to be totally different than reality.

Consider Luke 7:32 - "We played the pipe for you and you did not dance; we sang a dirge and you did not cry." What sort of people is Jesus describing?

What are some of the negative ways Christians are labeled today? Do you think these labels are mostly founded in reality or misperception?

Have you ever heard of a church that is accused of the same things Jesus was accused of? What would it take to become that kind of church?

The only perfect human being to ever exist wasn't accused of being judgmental, but of not judging others harshly enough. If we want to be transformed into the image of Christ, what does that mean for us?

APPLICATION

What is God saying to you through this passage of Scripture?

In light of what you've experienced, how are you going to be different in the future?