## "PERSEVERING THROUGH DISSAPOINTMENT WITH GOD"

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18 John's disciples informed him about all these things. John called two of his disciples 19 and sent them to the Lord. They were to ask him, "Are you the one who is coming, or should we expect someone else?" 20 When they reached Jesus, they said, "John the Baptist sent us to you. He asks, 'Are you the one who is coming, or should we expect someone else?" 21 Right then, Jesus healed many of their diseases, illnesses, and evil spirits, and he gave sight to a number of blind people. 22 Then he replied to John's disciples, "Go, report to John what you have seen and heard. Those who were blind are able to see. Those who were crippled now walk. People with skin diseases are cleansed. Those who were deaf now hear. Those who were dead are raised up. And good news is preached to the poor. 23 Blessed is anyone who doesn't stumble along the way because of me."

When disappointed with God,

- 1. Bring your \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. Hear what \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. Receive the \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Reflection Questions:

How do you think John the Baptist must have felt to be in prison while Jesus was out and about doing ministry? (Name some of those emotions).

When have you felt something similar? Think back to the last time you felt disappointed with God— perhaps a time you felt let down or your expectations were unmet.

What might it be like to bring that to Jesus in a time of quiet prayer or journaling? Can you set aside time to do that this week?

Remember a time you were discouraged or disappointed and you tripped up— you took offense or "stumbled" in some other way. How did you get back on your feet again?

What blessings from walking with Jesus through times of disappointment and discouragement have you received?