

## 10-02-22 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

“When we encounter life’s frustrations, it is tempting to think that more faith would make the troubled waters smoother...But Jesus teaches that we do not need to be given more faith; we need to act on the faith we have. To Jesus, faith is reflected in things like love, hope, compassion, responsibility, self-care, empathy, honesty, and humility. These acts of faith are what pull us through... ”

- *Wessel Bentley*



Luke 17:5-10

### Questions for Reflection —

- What does it look like for you to follow in the ways of faith? How is your faith demonstrated in how you act and speak? What impact does your faith have on your relationships and on the lives of others? How do you reflect your faith through things like love, hope, compassion, responsibility, self-care, empathy, honesty, and humility? What will help you further cultivate these reflections of faith?
  
- How do you participate in God’s work in the world? In what new ways might God be calling you to act on your faith? What holds you back? With what do you struggle as you seek to contribute to the growth of God’s kin-dom? What practices (Bible study, prayer, worship, etc.) help enrich your faith?
  
- When/how has your faith sustained you through a challenging time and/or enabled you to endure life’s difficulties? Over the years who are the people who have helped you grow in faith? Who is presently walking beside you on your faith journey? In what ways has your faith been strengthened through the faith of others? What does faith in community look like for you? How can we as a congregation better support one another in the life of faith?

### Daily Household Prayer

Jesus Christ, Lord of the Church, we rejoice that you have formed your people into one body comprising believers of every race and nation. Your salvation has reached to the ends of the earth and to all generations. We praise and thank you that your gospel has reached us and that our voices will join those of many languages this day to proclaim your praise. Accept our praise, purify our hearts, instruct us in your word, feed us at your table, and visit us with your Spirit that we may follow in the ways of faith, to the glory of God the Creator. Amen.