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The Forgotten Jesus Podcast Discussion Guide Season 4, Episode 15

The Observation Phase Of Jesus' Ministry

Did Jesus ever prove that he was the Messiah? Were there certain things the people were looking for the Messiah to do? Today, we begin an examination of the messianic miracles.

Introduction

Recap: Last week on *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast*, we examined the observation phase of the Pharisees' investigation of someone claiming to be the Messiah.

Take a few minutes to discuss this week's episode and what stuck out to everyone.

Discussion

Have someone read aloud Matthew 3:7, Matthew 8:1-4

- 1. Why do you think there is a focus on leprosy over all other diseases?
- 2. What are the comparisons or connections between leprosy and sin?
- 3. Why would healing a leper be such a unique or special miracle?
- 4. Why might this miracle prove Jesus is the Messiah?

Application:

Take some time to apply what you have discussed.

1. How should Christians respond to unbelievers in a season of observation or investigation?



- 2. Do you feel equipped to address the questions of an unbeliever? Why or why not?
- 3. Why is it important that we pursue unbelievers who have questions?
- 4. Is there a question someone could ask that is especially intimidating to you, why?

For next week: Who were the only two people in the Old Testament to be healed from leprosy?

Pray

Share prayer requests and pray as a group at the end of your conversation. Here is a prompt:

Pray that the Lord would give us a passion for equipping ourselves with the Word of God for our benefit and the benefit of others.

The Forgotten Jesus Podcast Resources

Catch up on Seasons 1 - 3 and find out more about *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast*, including show notes, on *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast* webpage.

Gospel Parallels by Throckmorton

Gospel Parallels highlights differences and similarities in language and chronology between the first three Gospels. You can buy it <u>here</u>.

The Forgotten Jesus Book

Through the years, our understanding of Jesus has been shaped by different cultural influences, and many Christians have forgotten that Jesus was a Jewish man living in a Jewish land, observing Jewish customs, and investing his life into Jewish men and women. You can buy it here.

