

## **Spectator or Participant?**

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**Text:** Matthew 11:1-5

### **Expanding Our Perception of Learning**

- Learning in the kingdom of God entails more than \_\_\_\_\_.
- Jesus upends our \_\_\_\_\_.
- Striking a \_\_\_\_\_ in our growth as Christ-followers.

### **Taking Initiative and Nurturing Kingdom Passion**

- \_\_\_\_\_ is never the stance of kingdom citizens.
- Kingdom citizens \_\_\_\_\_ passionately in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's rule.

## **Life Enrichment**

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What about today's sermon challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- What “fake news” story convinced you that it was true? How do you get to the truth of what you hear in the media?
- Why do you think John the Baptist was doubting Jesus' identity?
- Why do you think Matthew combines hearing and seeing as principles of learning Jesus' identity?
- What are the methods that Christians use to hear the truth? What are some ways we can see the truth?
- How does merely hearing the Word of God impact our spiritual growth?
- A passive, spectator, faith turns us into consumers. Why do you think consumer Christianity is a faulty form of the faith?
- How can individual Christians and churches transition from passive (spectator) Christianity to passionate, participating, kingdom advancing Christianity?