



When he was told “I don’t believe in God,” Tom Wright responded, “Oh really? Which God is it that you don’t believe in? Because the God I see in Jesus Christ looks altogether different than the one you describe.” How you view God determines how you see yourself and how you see everything else in the world. Check your sights. Perhaps it is time for new lenses.

These questions are intended to deepen your experience of the message. Use them for your personal or family study time, or with an open Bible as you share the good news with your neighbor.

- 4. WHAT DO YOU SEE?** Close your eyes and picture the face of God. What do you see? Now focus on the feelings welling up inside you. What are you feeling? Describe these thoughts and feelings to each other. What specific experiences in your past might have contributed to your thoughts and feelings? Which Bible stories most inform your views?
 - 5.** Steven Covey provides a powerful example of a **paradigm shift** in his book *7 Habits of Highly Effective People*. Do you have a paradigm-shifting story in your life? Explain. Follow up: **Read Luke 10:25-37**. How is this a paradigm-shifting story?
 - 6. THE GOD WE SHOULD NOT BELIEVE IN.** Atheists often describe God as a cold, distant old man in the sky whose only interest was winding up the universe and waiting to hurt people He doesn’t like. Where did they get this picture from?
- Group Introduction Activity: Watch a YouTube video of people hearing or seeing color for the first time.
- 1. THE GOD WE SEE IN JESUS CHRIST.** Close your eyes and picture the face of Jesus. What do you see? Now focus on the feelings welling up inside you. What are you feeling? Describe these thoughts and feelings to each other. What specific experiences in your past might have contributed to your thoughts and feelings? Which Bible stories most inform your views?
 - 2. GOD INTRODUCES HIMSELF.** **Read Exodus 34:5-9.** Consider each word or phrase God uses to describe himself. Why does He start the way he does? What is the overall impression He wishes to leave with you? Discuss how we see each of these in Jesus Christ.
 - 3. THE GOD WHO SINGS OVER YOU.** Which of God’s self-described attributes is what you stand most in need of at this moment? Be as transparent as you can be with one another. Encourage each other to see God as God would have us see him. Nathan said “delight in the God who delights in you.” **Read Zephaniah 3:17.**