

Life Group Discussion Questions

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*** This guide intentionally has more questions than your group could reasonably discuss in one meeting. Feel free to pick and choose questions that best encourage, challenge, and instruct your particular participants.

1. God is transcendent – Do you ever think about this attribute of God? What common things cause you to think about Him as being "totally other" (i.e., the wonder of the cosmos, a new born baby, the creativity in nature etc...). Can you share with the group a time or times that you have meditated upon and praised the wonder of God and the circumstance that led you to that meditation.

2. Mythology, comic books, movies and novels can all change the way we think about transcendent beings. Have outside influences changed your perspective of God's transcendence? Do gods from other stories usually have a weakness, or fall prey to schemes? How is our God different? Is it even a fair comparison?

3. God is described as being "unapproachable", yet we have access to Him. Do you ever have times where you feel that you do not have access to God or feel unworthy of His attention? What does scripture tell us about how we can approach God?

4. Think of the strongest, fiercest, scariest thing you can possibly imagine... would you want to go anywhere near it? Do you believe God is so far beyond what you imagined that you cannot explain it with words? Do you approach God?

love God. love Others. serve the World.



5. Do you ever think about Eternity? It sometimes seems easier to imagine eternity future, but do you ever think of eternity past? Do you anticipate spending eternity in the presence of God or are there things of this world we cling so tightly to that we fear eternity?"

6. When talking to non-believers, do you think they have trouble with the transcendence of God? Does God's transcendence help to answer their questions about why God does certain things?

7. How do the immutability and sovereignty of God comfort and encourage you? Are there areas of your life that you have not fully surrendered to His sovereignty?

8. When you ponder theological issues, do you start with God's transcendence, or do you try to fit Him into a box that you understand? Does God have limits the way we understand them?

9. As we approach Christmas, how does knowing that God is eternal, immutable, transcendent, immortal, unapproachable, and sovereign change your view of the wonder of the Christmas story?

10. We recently spent a few weeks talking about anxiety. What happens to your troubles and worries in light of God's transcendency? Does considering the enormity of God's power help put your daily problems in perspective?