



When it comes to knowing God:

- We cannot completely define an infinite God.
- We need to be careful who we allow to define God.
- We can remove barriers that limit God.

Throughout scripture:

- God shows us who He is.

- Through Nature.

20 For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God. Romans 1:20 (NLT)

- Through Jesus.

9 Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? John 14:9 (NIV)

- It is impossible for God to look at you and desire anything less than His best for you.

9 ...This one thing I know: God is for me! Psalm 56:9 (TLB)

11 For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

31 ...If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all — how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Romans 8:31-32 (NLT)

When I realize that God is for me:

- I don't hide from God but run to God.

(Adam) answered, 10 "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." Genesis 3:10 (NIV)

10 The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. Proverbs 18:10 (NIV)

- I don't live for God's approval but from His approval.

8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 (NIV)

- I don't fear what happens to me because I know God is working in me.

28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 (NIV)

13 For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. Philippians 2:13 (NIV)

16 Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me. Psalm 66:16 (NIV)

Notes:

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Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What's one idea from the talk that really stood out to you? Why did this idea grab your attention?
- Is it difficult for you to believe that God is for you? Did something happen in your life that caused you to doubt God's goodness? Explain.
- What do you think when you hear the statement: "It is impossible for God to look at you and desire anything less than His best for you"?
- Read Jeremiah 29:11 and Romans 8:31-32; What do these scriptures say to you about God being for you? How do they make you feel?
- Does understanding that God is for you change your perspective about life? Explain.
- Do you find that you hide from God or run to God? Do you find God to be a safe place?
- Talk about the difference between living for God's approval and from God's approval.
- Do difficult times remind you that God is working in you?
- Are you confident that in all things God is for you? Why do you feel that way?
- How have you experienced God's goodness in your life? What does His goodness mean to you?
- How is God working in you?
- What is one thing you can do this week to remind yourself that God is for you?

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