

**Series:** He is there and He is not Silent by Francis Schaeffer

**Sermon:** The problem of knowledge: How do we know anything? How do we know that we know?

**Primary Text:** Proverbs 18:15

**Discussion guide:**

- What is something you know to be absolutely true?
- How does not believing in God affect a person's ability to know anything?
  - Consider the quote about how and why modern science was born: "...they believed the universe had been created by a reasonable God, and therefore, it was possible to find out that which was true about the universe by reason."
- Why is us making up our own truth dangerous and ultimately depressing?
- How does God's existence mean we can know things?
- Read Proverbs 18:15 - what does this tell us about God's will for our knowledge?
- Read 2 Peter 3:18 - what does this tell you about knowledge about God?
- Read Isaiah 55:9 - what does this tell you about knowledge about God?
- What does it mean that you can know a thing or person truly without knowing it exhaustively?
  - Why is it important to know this?
- Read Job 21:22 - what does this tell you about how much God knows?
- Why does the fact that God created you and the universe tell you that you can know things about the universe?
- How does the Bible's teaching help bring the inner self and the outer self in sync?
  - Why/how is this important to truly being known?
- Schaeffer said, "...no matter what a man says he is, we know who he really is. He is made in the image of God; that's who he is."
  - Why is this true?
  - Why is this important?
- Why is it hard for the world to tell the difference between fantasy and reality?
  - How is Christianity the answer to this?