

THE PROBLEM OF GOD

PART ONE: THE PROBLEM OF GOD'S EXISTENCE

So maybe you think that to believe in God requires a giant leap of faith. And maybe you think that essentially, there's zero evidence for God's existence apart from the Bible. Is that true? Is there any evidence for God outside of scripture or blind belief? We'll explore those questions in part one of The Problem of God.

BIG IDEA: Follow the evidence before you follow your feelings.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was the attitude toward God in your house growing up? Did your parents lean you toward faith or away from it?
2. How did you arrive at the place you're at today spiritually?
3. With your Bible or Bible App, read John 1:1-5

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.

John 1:1-5 (NLT)

4. "Everything is a belief system, including atheism and agnosticism." Do you agree? Why or why not?
5. In the message, Carlo said you need to follow the evidence before you follow your feelings. We all have a bias. Honestly, where do you hope the evidence leads?
6. One of the biggest questions people can ask in this life is about 'causation'. Who started all this, and more importantly, why? How does naturalism answer these questions? How does Christianity?
7. If morality, cosmology and biology don't point toward a creator, what do you think they point toward?
8. What was your biggest takeaway from this weekend's message?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

What do you feel God is asking you to do in response to the weekend message? In other words, what's your next step? In the message, Carlo said most people are three questions away from their world view collapsing. To what extent is that true for you? If you really want to test what you believe (for or against God) read through Chapters 1-2 of the Problem of God and dig into the footnotes. Follow where the evidence leads, not just where you hope it will lead. How can this group help you and pray for you this week?

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