Losing your Religion:

Everywhere Always

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A few suggestions on how to go into a deeper relationship with God:

1. BREAK THE BOX.

- **1.1.** It is easy to place God in a "Sunday box" or a "Holy box" and forget about Him the rest of the time.
- 1.2. This can happen because we don't see God as fun or simply because we can't see Him at all and forget about Him.

Jeremiah 23:23-24 (MSG) "Am I not a God near at hand and not a God far off? Can anyone hide out in a corner where I can't see him? Am I not present everywhere, whether seen or unseen?"

- **1.3.** God may be invisible, but he is everywhere.
- **1.4.** God is not some far off teacher or headmaster, He is our Father and He is with us all the time because we are family.

Psalm 32:8-9 (TPT) "I hear the Lord saying, "I will stay close to you, instructing and guiding you along the pathway for your life. I will advise you along the way and lead you forth with my eyes as your guide. So don't make it difficult; don't be stubborn when I take you where you've not been before. Don't make me tug you and pull you along. Just come with me!"

2. FEEL THE LOVE.

2.1. Every human is born with an unmet love only God can give us.

Romans 5:8 (MSG) "Christ arrives right on time to make this happen. He didn't, and doesn't, wait for us to get ready. He presented himself for this sacrificial death when we were far too weak and rebellious to do anything to get ourselves ready. And even if we hadn't been so weak, we wouldn't have known what to do anyway. We can understand someone dying for a person worth dying for, and we can understand how someone good and noble could inspire us to selfless sacrifice. But God put his love on the line for us by offering his Son in sacrificial death while we were of no use whatever to him."

2.2. God's love is there for you all day, everyday.

3. GOD CAN FIT IN EVERYWHERE.

- **3.1.** God is with us all the time anyway, why not just acknowledge His presence and allow Him to lead us in everything we do?
- **3.2.** God is fit to go everywhere with us.

4. A FEW PRACTICAL IDEAS.

- **4.1.** God is invisible, so some of us forget about Him. Get a reminder. Keep a pebble in your pocket or make a small mark on your hand. Put a reminder on your phone or make an association (like when you see yellow you will remember Him).
- **4.2.** Take something you love and invite Him in. Go biking, play worship or just be quiet with Him. Drink coffee with Him in silence or talk to Him in your head. Go for a walk, draw pictures or write a poem.
- **4.3.** Ask Him questions all the time about everything.

Sermon Discussion Guide Everywhere Always OPEN YOUR GROUP WITH A PRAYER. THIS IS ONLY A GUIDE – SELECT THE POINTS YOU WANT TO DISCUSS.

- 1. Do you put God in a "Sunday box" or do you acknowledge the fact that He is everywhere, always? If you do have Him in a box, how can you break that box?
- 2. Do you feel loved by God all the time or are there times when you don't feel loved?
- 3. Do you want to be more aware of the fact that God is everywhere all the time? If yes, what are you going to do differently to be more aware of God's presence?