

GOD'S

Nature

GROUP FOCUS QUESTIONS

Week of: January 31- February 7, 2021

Text: Numbers 23:19, Hebrews 13:8, James 1:17

GETTING STARTED:

How far back in your own life do you remember?

What is your earliest memory?

Do you remember when you first became aware of God?

When did you first "reach" out to God?

DIGGING IN:

Read Colossians 1:15-23, what jumps out at you from this passage and why?

Notice of that word "Image" in Col. 1:15. What are some mediums that bear images (e.g. stone sculpture, clay, canvas, memory, film, etc.). What are your favorites and why when it comes to art? What about life? What would an artful life look like? Who do you think of when you think of someone who lived a life that was "art?"

What prepositions (to, for, in, with, by, over, under, before, around, etc.) do you notice in relation to Christ? What things come from him? What things go through him? What things are in him? Would you say you are familiar with thinking of Christ in these great and vast terms of "holding all things together?"

DIGGING DEEPER:

What part of your life do you feel bears God's image? What part of following Christ, comes easy or conforms to his image without much trouble?

What part of your life do you feel still does not bear God's image very clearly (could be anger, jealousy, drunkenness, etc.)? What part of following Christ, comes difficult for you?

Can you think of where you learned some of those ways of life and habits? Have they just "always been there," did they come at a major event in your life like conversion and baptism, or did you pick them up over time?

What are some daily practices that you could establish to start cultivating a life that reaches for God?

PRAYER SUGGESTION:

Express gratitude to God for wanting intimacy with you.