



Belief: What we believe
Feb 25: God

Series Summary: Many view doctrine as something that is only important for pastors. Nothing could be further from the truth. What we believe matters. This is why Paul told young Timothy to watch his doctrine closely (1 Tim 4:16)

Big Idea/Question: There are plenty of people that believe in God, or a God rather. The question is: Does what you believe about God line up with what God has declared to be true about Himself?

GET THEM TALKING

What did Pastor Brooks say that stuck out to you?

What are you still uncertain about?

GROUP DISCUSSION

(loving father)

Why do you think the Bible refers to God as God the Father? How is God like a loving father?

Leader Note: The answer to the above question is not that God the Father created the Son (Jesus) or the Holy Spirit. That view is actually heretical.

Read 2 Peter 3:8-9 as a small group

What does this passage teach us about God?

Leader Note: This passage is packed full of descriptions about the nature of God. I would take some time and go through them slowly.

- God's view of time is vastly different than ours
- God keeps his promises! In this passage, this is primarily referencing Christ's return.
- God is patient with us (even when we do not deserve patience or have patience ourselves)
- God desires for everyone to know him by believing in His son Jesus Christ's work on the cross. This does not however support universalism.

Read Matthew 6:25-27 as a small group

Who here deals with worry often? No guilt trip. What was the last thing that you were worried about?

What does this passage teach us about worry? How does God's nature help when fear and worry start to dominate our lives?

Read Matthew 6:28-31 as a small group

Vs 28-30 - What does this passage teach us about God?

Vs 30 How does knowing God's nature help us deal with the worries we face?