



Community Group Discussion Guide

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Week 1 | How We Know There's a God
Various Scripture

Introduction

From its beginning the early Church faced intense opposition. Read any one of the letters to these men and women who were among the first to follow Christ and you can't miss the extreme challenge that was theirs to persevere through persecution.

Read these same letters and you'll find repeated encouragements for these believers to not only persevere, but to also be wise and bold in sharing their faith. A good example is what Peter wrote in the third chapter of his first letter:

Even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear their threats; do not be afraid. But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. 1 Peter 3:14-15

What Peter is taking about here is apologetics. It's equipping ourselves so we're able to give a clear explanation and convincing defense of what we believe. This is what we'll be doing in this five week series we've title "Prepared."

Questions for Study

1. If someone asked you why you believe there's a God, how would you answer their question? Write down the reasons you'd give that make you confident there's a God.
2. Sunday's sermon will look at four reasons to have confidence there is a God. After listening to the sermon, write out why each one of the following reasons points to a Creator:
 - Uncaused Cause
 - Design Designer
 - Morality - A Longing For Justice
 - Worldwide Belief In God