



QUESTIONS FOR OCTOBER GROUPS

GOD'S
WORD

The sessions we recorded on the 4th are available under the CG DOCTRINE SERIES tab. This document exists to help our small groups to discuss and encourage each other as we meet to ask one central question - the question God inspired Isaiah to put to Israel: ***“To whom will you liken me and compare me, that we may be alike?”***

Session 1 – God’s Attributes

God is both UNLIKE us in His incommunicable attributes and is to be revered as unique; and yet God is LIKE us in His communicable attributes so that we can imitate Him (in part).

- How can we reconcile the concept of God’s incomprehensibility (that we can’t fully describe Him) with the fact that we can truly know God as He has revealed Himself?
- When you think of God’s incommunicable attributes (those unlike us), what helps you move past sheer academic, mind-blowing amazement to a place of worshiping Him?
- How can we seek to imitate God in His communicable attributes (those like us) without trying to usurp His unique position or to use ourselves as a place of comparison?
- What part of God’s nature do you find most confusing? unnerving? amazing? inviting?

Session 2 – God the King and Father

We stand in amazement that God the Sovereign who is in ultimate control of the world, who could choose to accomplish anything, chose to reveal Himself as God the Father.

- How does knowing God as the King over the universe motivate you? How does knowing God as your Father motivate you? Is one way of knowing Him better?
- When you think about the many other attributes of God we didn’t cover (perfection, beauty, spirituality, knowledge, wisdom, jealousy, mercy, truthfulness, blessedness), how does knowing God as your Father propel you to study, imitate, and worship Him?
- Why do you think we often shy away from experiencing the love of God our Father?

Session 3 – God as One and Three

God is amazing in His Unity and Simplicity (in that He cannot be reduced to one quality) and profoundly mysterious in His Trinity (in that our One God is made up of 3 Persons).

- How does knowing that God is not divided in any of His attributes highlight His incomparable nature? How is God different from us in this way?
- Have you ever reduced God to only Father- or Son or Spirit? Why do you think?
- How does knowing and understanding God’s nature motivate us to lives of worship and obedience? How can we know Him better?
- How can we grow in our ongoing knowledge and worship of God this year?