



Discussion Guide

Section #2: CREATION

Read to the Group: In the video, we have seen that God created the world out of nothing. We have seen that He has great power. We have seen that he created people and cared about them.

Group Question:

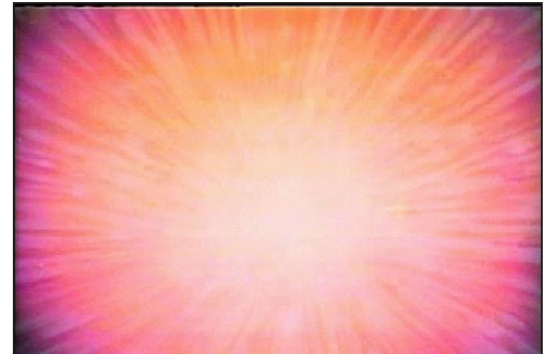
- 1 If you were to believe in God, what kind of a god would you want to believe in? How would you describe Him?

Leader Information: They will generally answer...all powerful, all knowing, caring, etc.

The list below is for your reference. Remember that the emphasis is on what they think God should be. Let the biblical story speak to them about who God is, rather than you lecturing them about who He is.

Your group may not be sure of themselves yet, and have problems speaking their thoughts out loud, or of forming thoughts on this question. You may decide to help them get started by referring to some of the qualities in the list below in a question form. For instance you could say, "Would he be loving? Would he be powerful? Would he know everything?"

- God is greater than all and more important than all.
- God is the highest authority.
- God communicates with man and man needs God.
- God is love
- God does not change
- God knows everything.
- God is everywhere all the time.
- God had no beginning and will have no end.
- God was there before the beginning of everything.
- God is spirit and has no material body.
- God created earth and everything including man, out of nothing.
- God is a God of order.



Show the Following Segment from the *God's Story* video:

Watch from "In the beginning God created" (Starburst of light)...through... "And God saw everything He made and it was very good." (Space shot of far away planet) 3 minutes, 26 seconds



- God is trinity in three persons.
- God is holy and righteous and cannot tolerate sin.

Read to the Group: In a few minutes we will continue to watch the video. Let us see how God compares to your idea of what God should be. I think you will see that He not only meets, but exceeds your expectations.

Read this Scripture to the Group:

“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows his handywork” (Psalm 19:1).

Read to the Group: According to the Bible, God created the world and all that is in it.



Group Questions:

1. How can you see the hand of a master designer in the way the world and mankind are made?
2. What parts of creation would it be difficult to believe just happened by chance?

Leader Information: Possible responses...

- The way our bodies are made.
- The tiny little details on every insect.
- The intricacies of a spider web or snowflake.
- The vast variety of plants and animals.
- The medicinal value of many plants.



If you are teaching people who have been taught evolution, avoid discussing the validity of evolution and trust that God will speak to them on that issue. Sincere viewers will see the weakness of evolution as they watch the video and are faced with God's power and character. Should it be brought up, just ask the class to be open-minded while watching the video.

You may say, “You might find some concepts that are hard to believe or different from what you have heard before.” But remember, we are just here to observe and see what the Bible says. For now, while we watch this video, imagine that it might be true and ask God to confirm in your heart if the Bible really is trustworthy. Let us show respect to God's word and see how He will speak to us through His story. I cannot convince you of the truth of His Word, only God can do that.

Read this Scripture to the Group:

“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that comes to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him” (Hebrews 11:6).

Transition Statement: Now, (*or* next time when we meet), let us observe how Adam and Eve enjoyed their life in the perfect Garden of Eden.