



May 18/19, 2019

Great Question – If God is real and loves us, why doesn't he make himself more obvious?

Review

Main Points

Ask the group: What were your initial thoughts, reactions, and comments?

1. The problem with obvious
2. The solution to obvious
3. What happens when God becomes obvious?

Reflect

1. **Is God obvious?** Read John 20:30-31. What things come to your mind that give you confidence that God exists?
2. **Seeing the fullness of God. Read Exodus 33:17-23.** What does this passage reveal to us about God and the fullness of His glory? How does this help explain why God might not make Himself obvious in the world in the ways we desire?
3. **God makes Himself known. Read John 1:1-5, 14, and 18.** Often when we think about God making Himself known, we overlook what is right in front of us. What does this passage teach us about Jesus, who He is, and how He has made God known?
4. **Consequence of obvious. Read 2 Corinthians 5:17.** What does this passage say is the impact of a relationship with God? How does this change make God obvious to the world and how can we use it to make Jesus famous?

Respond

How can you use your story of coming to faith in Jesus to make Jesus famous? Maybe what your unbelieving co-workers or friends need to see and hear is how you have been radically changed because of your relationship with Jesus.

- Consider taking the step of writing out your testimony. Practice sharing your story, so you can share it in a few minutes to a friend.
- Consider the act of Baptism as a public declaration of your faith in Jesus.

Pray

Ask the group for prayer requests.

Announcements

Men's Spiritual Formation Trip // May 24-26

Guys, don't miss our men's spiritual formation trip to Wild Ridge, WV, where you'll learn about character traits of a godly man while exploring 6,500 acres of beautiful wilderness. You'll have the chance to hike, explore waterfalls, and enjoy conversation together while we eat dinner prepared over an open fire. \$100 covers food, transportation, and lodging. Space is limited, so don't wait to register. This year, for an extra \$100 per person you have the option of going down a day early for either whitewater rafting or rock climbing.

A Night of Prayer and Worship for the Unreached // May 28

Did you know that to this day more than 40% of people groups around the world are yet to hear of the good news of Jesus Christ? Join us for a night of prayer and worship for those particular unreached people groups and become a part of what God is doing through his people for the nations. More info online.

Vacation Bible Camp // June 10-14

Every kid's favorite week of the summer is back! Get your kids age four through 5th grade (entering fall 2019) signed up for Epic Journey. Details and registration at ccchapel.com/vbc.

Calling all...well, everyone! This summer more than 1,000 kids will visit our church for Vacation Bible Camp and we cannot pull it off without your help. If you can help, fill out the registration form online, we'd love to have you join us.