

WEEK MAY 23-29

MAIN IDEA

What comes to your mind when you think of God?

CHECK IN (HIGHS & LOWS)

15 min

A great, quick way to catch the highlights of what is happening in the lives of the people in your group is to take turns quickly sharing the "highs & lows" of your week. High: What was the highlight of your week? Low: What was the low point of your week?

SETTLE IN (ICE BREAKER)

10 min

- 1. Start your time with a worship song this week. Perhaps pick a song that describes the characteristics or attributes of God. Steve mentioned a couple of throwback songs Have You Seen Jesus My Lord (Hymn) and Our God Is an Awesome God (Michael W. Smith) or some other song you like. Focus on how the words describe God and then ask yourself if you believe those things about him.
- 2. Who is your favorite person that is not in the room? What do you think of when you think of that person?

LOOK IN (OBSERVATION)

15 min

- 1. A.W. Tozer says, What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us. Let's focus on some scriptures that describe characteristics of God. Read Psalm 145:17. What characteristics do you see?
- Read Psalm 145:18&19. What characteristics do you see?

- 3. Read Psalm 145:20. What characteristics do you see?
- 4. What promises do you see in these verses?

LOOK UP (UNDERSTANDING) 20 min

- These scriptures pointed out six specific characteristics of God that are good for us to consider and understand. Elaborate on what these characteristics mean for us. What does it mean that God is righteous?
- What does it mean that God is faithful?
- What does it mean that God is present?
- 4. What does it mean that God is responsive?
- What does it mean that God is aware?
- What does it mean that God is just?

GEAR UP (APPLICATION)

20 min

- What is a characteristic of God that you need to remind yourself of this week?
- 2. How do these characteristics of God inform how you should walk out your faith this week? (Be specific).

STEP UP (HOMEWORK)

Spend daily time in prayer or in the Word. Specifically, spend some time meditating on specific characteristics of God. The more the characteristics of God seep into your soul, the more they will come to mind when you think about him!