

Discussion Questions Course 209–2

Large Group

1. Why did Chris want to skip school in our video last time?
2. Was that a wise choice for Chris—would God be pleased with that decision? Please explain.
3. Do you think Noah ever struggled with faith on those long, dreary days when he was cooped up in the ark with all of those animals?
4. SuperVerse discussion:
 - Point to a chair. Does it take faith to believe the chair is really there? Why or why not?
 - Would it take a lot of faith to sit on it? Why not?
 - Now let's think about God! Can we see Him with our physical eyes?
 - So how do we know He is real?
 - Can we hear God speak with our physical ears?
 - So how do we know what He is telling us to do?
 - Since we can't physically see or hear God, is it always easy to obey what He says?
 - Why did Noah obey God, even though he couldn't see Him?

Small Group

Game

1. What does our SuperVerse say we must have to please God?
2. Was it difficult to walk without being able to see your faith? Please explain.

Teaching

1. What happens if you build on a crooked foundation?

SuperVerse

1. Would it be wise to live trying to please someone we weren't sure was real? Why?

Additional Activities

Faith Game

1. Was it more of a challenge to play without seeing? Why?
2. Living by believing and not seeing is called what?

Object Lesson

1. Drop paper ball to ground. Would you say that this faith is alive and will attract people to God?
2. Hold up the bouncy ball in the air, drop it, and let it bounce as you speak. This ball represents the kind of faith that pleases God. Can you see a difference?
3. Active faith moves and flows with the leading of God's Holy Spirit. Active faith looks different in different situations. Can you think of some ways we can show our faith?
4. How do you think praying shows your faith?

Bible Study

Jeremiah 29:11–14a

1. God has good plans for each of us; knowing that wonderful promise, how can we please God regarding those plans?
2. What are two promises we discover in verses 12–13?
3. In verse 13, how must we search or look for God?
4. What do you think that means; what would be involved?

1 Chronicles 28:9a

1. What do you think it means to acknowledge God?
2. What is the promise if we seek and serve Him with all that is in us?

Genesis 5:23–24 and Hebrews 11:5

1. What was Enoch's relationship with God?
2. What is remarkable about Enoch and his relationship with God?
3. Enoch was one of two people mentioned in the Bible who were taken to heaven by God without dying; do you know who the other man was?
4. Enoch pleased God; that means Enoch had what—by what was he taken up to heaven?

Conclusion: God does not hide from us; He reveals Himself to those who search for Him.
What is the best reward for searching or seeking something?