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Section: Doctrine of God

**DISCUSSION GUIDE**

**Q1. Who is God?**

God is the almighty Creator, Sustainer, and Ruler of everything. He is perfect, and the standard by which all things are measured.

*Intro:*

1. “Who is God?” – Why is this question so important?

*God’s Name:*

1. How does God refer to Himself, and what does it revel about who God is?
2. Do you treat God’s name with the reverence He deserves?
3. How have you moved from knowing Him only as God (Theos) to knowing Him as Yahweh (He is)? What has contributed to this?

*God is the almighty Creator:*

1. Read Genesis 1:1-3. In what ways does God’s creation work cause you to be in awe and worship Him more?
2. Share a time when you saw something in God’s creation that really took your view of God to another level.

*God is the almighty Sustainer:*

1. Colossians 1:17 says that “in Him all things hold together.” Share how significant this truth is for our everyday lives. How does this shape how you see who God is?
2. How does God sustaining all creation affect how you see others?
3. What are practical ways we can give God more credit and worship for His ongoing sustaining of our lives?

*God is the almighty Ruler of everything:*

1. God rules over everything—is the reality of that landing with you?
2. What does God ruling over everything tell us about bad things that happen?
3. How might our flesh struggle with this, and how can we repent of sinful responses to God’s almighty rule?

*God is perfect:*

1. Define God’s perfection.
2. Read Exodus 20:1-17. How do you measure up to God’s perfection?
3. Who measured up to God’s perfection?
4. What does Christ’s perfection mean for us?

*God is the standard by which all things are measured:*

1. Do you tend to evaluate yourself only compared to mankind? What is the problem with this?
2. What is our only hope to not be completely buried by how we utterly fail compared to the perfection of God?
3. As a redeemed child of God, how seriously should we take living a holy life in Christ?
   1. How can we do this, and what does this look like daily?

*Final application and takeaway:*

1. How can I share *who God is* to family, friends, and coworkers?
2. How can I honor *who God is*?
3. How can I grow in my understanding of *who God is*?
4. As a group, talk about how you can point each other to *who God is* this week.

\*\*Close in a time of prayer focused on exultation and praise and thankfulness for *who God is*.