

What Is the Truth About God?—Part 2

Based on chapter 1 of the book *What Does the Bible Really Teach?* available at www.jw.org.

OBJECTIVE: Explore what you believe and why, examine what the Bible teaches, and see how you can explain your beliefs to others.



IS IT REALLY POSSIBLE TO BE A FRIEND OF GOD?

1 EXPLORE YOUR BELIEFS

Why might some people say no?

Why might some say yes?

What do *you* believe?

Why do you believe that?

2

EXAMINE WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES

God wants us to know and use his personal name.

(See chapter 1 of the *Bible Teach* book, paragraphs 14-17.)

Read Psalm 83:18.

How does this scripture show that God wants us to know who he is?

.....

.....

.....

How would you illustrate the difference between a title and a personal name?

.....

.....

.....



A man may have many titles, such as teacher, husband, and dad. But his name identifies him as a specific person. Likewise, God has many titles, such as Father, Lord, and Creator. But his name, Jehovah, reminds us of everything we know about him

Jehovah wants us to be close to him.

(See chapter 1 of the *Bible Teach* book, paragraphs 18-24.)

Read Acts 17:27 and James 4:8.

How do these scriptures show that Jehovah wants us to be his friend?

.....

.....

.....

Read Exodus 34:6 and 1 John 4:8, 16.

Why, do you think, has Jehovah told us about his personality?

.....

.....

.....

Which of Jehovah's qualities especially impresses *you*?

.....

.....

.....

How does it make you feel to know that God wants us to know his name and to be close to him?

.....

.....

.....

.....

3

EXPLAIN YOUR BELIEFS

IF SOMEONE SAYS...

There is only one God, so it doesn't matter what you call him.

YOU MIGHT REPLY...

I agree that there is only one true God. But I believe that it's important to use his name because...

.....

.....

What scripture could you share with the person?

.....

Why do you especially like that scripture?

.....

IF SOMEONE SAYS...

God is angry and harsh—he wants only to punish us.

YOU MIGHT REPLY...

A lot of religions teach that idea. But I believe differently because...

.....

.....

What scripture could you share with the person?

.....

Why do you especially like that scripture?

.....