

Life Group Discussion Material – Sunday, May 16th Message

EFCA Doctrinal Statement (Point #1: God)

Every Believer A Theologian

1. Before this morning's message, what was your view of or how have you responded to the study of theology?
2. As a believer, have you ever considered yourself a theologian? Why or why not?
3. When was the last time that you read through the EFCA statement of beliefs?
4. Scripture refers to God as Omnipotent (all powerful). Read Hebrews 11:3 and point out some ways in which this verse attests to that attribute of God.
5. As the only Holy being there is, God is separated from creation, and He is also separated from creation's corruption. Does this bring you comfort? How/why? *Keep in mind that this does not mean that He absolves Himself from interacting with creation. Read James 1:13 for some guidance if needed.*
6. Even though it was not mentioned in today's message, Scripture refers to God as omnipresent [all + present = always present] (1 Kings 8:27; Psalm 139:7-10). Knowing that God is always present, how should this help you in times of tribulation, temptation, or victory?
7. One of God's primary plans is to show His grace (favor) towards mankind, especially through Jesus Christ. Knowing that this is one of His primary plans, what impact does that have on your view of God?
8. Has today's message or this Life Group discussion helped you understand the importance of theology?

The ultimate goal of theology is to bring about life change. Anytime that you study the Word, especially in an intellectual setting, you should be asking the question:

"How does this apply to my life?"