

ON PURPOSE- Week 2: Who Are You, God?

As we continue in our study of what it means to live *On Purpose*, none of us can truly understand what that means until we understand and know who Jesus is. To know Jesus is to know God and so this week we will take an in depth look at who God is and what he's about. During Moses's encounter with God, he needed to know who God really was. God answers Moses, but not necessarily in the way Moses expected. Living on purpose requires knowing "I Am," so this week we will learn more about who God really is.

Have you ever gotten a message and weren't sure who it was from? Have you ever had someone remember you, but you couldn't remember them?

How would you describe yourself?

Did anything stand out from the video you watched?

We're going to explore who God is this week, as he revealed himself in Exodus and later in the person of Jesus.

Read Exodus 3:6-22

- What does God say is his name in this passage? How is this name significant?
- Why does it matter that God has a name? What does the name *I AM*, or Yahweh, say about God?
- How does knowing who God is impact who you are?
- In what ways have you seen God being "the Great I AM" in your life?

Not only does God the Father have a name, but Jesus, the Son of God, goes by many names...

Read:

- Here we find Jesus making an "I Am" statement like God in Exodus. Who does Jesus say he is? What does it mean for Jesus to be the resurrection and the life?
- Jesus says seven "I Am" statements in the book of John. Which of these I Am statements sticks out to you the most and why?
 - *I am the bread of life. I am the light of the world. I am the door of the sheep. I am the resurrection and the life. I am the good shepherd. I am the way, the truth, and the life. I am the true vine.*
- How does knowing Jesus as all of these things shape what you think of him?
- Jesus' name translates to Immanuel, which means God with Us. In the same way that God is and always has been, Jesus walked among us and is now with us through the Holy Spirit. What does it tell you about God that he would choose to live within you as Christ Followers?

Countless times in the Old and New Testament, God is revealing who he is to his people. When we read scripture, we get the opportunity to encounter God and learn more about his nature and who he is each time. God wants you to know him, and he wants to be in relationship with you.

The Point: Living *On Purpose* means getting to know the God of the Universe and discovering who we are in him.

- How does knowing God shape who you are?

God created each of us to know him and live with him forever. Each of us have the opportunity to know God right now!

- What are ways that you can get to know God this week?