**Why in the World: Viewer Guide**

**Session 1 To Communicate and Demonstrate**

**Discussion Questions**

1. In what ways have you seen people look in the wrong places to discover what God is like? How did it shape the ways they view God?
2. Do you tend to feel closer to God when your circumstances are good or bad? Why do you think that is the case?
3. Read John 1:14. What do you think it means that Jesus is “the Word”? What does it tell us about Jesus’ connection to God?
4. During the message, Andy said, “Jesus didn’t claim to *have* the best explanation of God. He claimed to *be* the best explanation of God.” Respond to that statement. In what ways do you find it challenging, disturbing, or offensive?
5. Talk about some of the wrong places you’ve looked to find out what God is like---religious traditions, your circumstances, nature, within yourself. What limitations did you discover in these attempts to find God?
6. At the end of the message, Andy challenged you to read the four Gospels with this question in mind: What do we learn about the Father from the Son? Which gospel will you begin with? What can this group do to help you follow through on this homework?

**Moving Forward**

Pick one of the Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, or John. Matthew has the most references to the Old Testament. Mark is the shortest. Luke is the most chronological. John is the most personal. Pick whichever one you want and begin to read it with this question in mind: *What do I learn about the Father from the Son?*

**Changing Your Mind**

*And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us,*

*and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten*

*from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

*John 1:14 NASB*