



## PART 2: WHAT GOD IS LIKE

If you look past Jesus, you'll miss what the Father is like, and if you stop short of Jesus, you'll miss what the Father is like.

Why? Jesus came to demonstrate what God is like.

### CONNECT

What's a Christmas tradition you have that helps usher in the Christmas season?

### LEARN

You will watch a shortened version of a message from this series to set up your group discussion. Watch the full message sometime this week as a reminder of what was talked about today.

### APPLY

After sharing what stood out from the video, discuss the following questions as a group:

1. What's the first word that comes to mind when you think of God, and what's the first word when you think of Jesus? Are those words compatible? Is there a tension between them? Discuss with your group.
2. Did you ever have a concept of what God was like that ended up being inaccurate when measured up against Scripture and Jesus? What was the concept you held?
3. Read **Colossians 2:17**. Shadows distort and leave too much to the imagination but Jesus came to show us what God is really like. What have you learned about the Father by looking at Jesus?
4. Read **John 14:8–10**. Have you ever had a time, like Phillip, when you just wanted to know the Father is with you? Is Jesus's response in verse 9 comforting?





## **BEFORE NEXT TIME**

Jesus, who is God in a body, came to demonstrate what God is like. Take time to listen to Andy's full message this week and then start reading a chapter of the book of John each day as a part of your time with God, paying attention to what you learn about God from Jesus.

## **PRAY**

Take some time to pray as a group and thank God for sending Jesus to demonstrate what he is like. Ask him to give you a deeper hunger to know him more.

