



Who Needs God: The Bible Told Me So

Jesus loves me, this I know.

For the Bible tells me so.

Should we really believe something just because the bible tells us so?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

What part of Sunday's message stood out to you? Was there anything you disagreed with or that encouraged you?

"We believe Jesus rose from the dead but not because the Bible says so; it's way better than that!"

What role does the Bible play in your faith? If you read it, why do you read it? What does it contribute to your relationship with God?

Scripture - Luke 3:1-2

Context: This verse is significant because Luke puts out an actual date and historical events that can be confirmed by sources outside of the bible. This

- What is it so significant that Luke points out a date in history? What does that say about the foundation of Luke's faith?
- What were you taught is the foundation of your faith? How has that shaped your faith since?
- Why is it so important to understand that Christianity does not exist because of the Bible? What are the implications of this reality?
- If you're a Christ-follower, why do you believe that Jesus died for your sins and was raised from the dead? How does this foundation of your faith influence the way you view God?
- During the message, Andy said, "The authors of the New Testament didn't document what they believed; they documented what they saw." How has the church changed this truth of early church history? How did this lead to so many believing in the wrong god as Andy referenced last week?
- How does this change in thinking of the foundation of our faith change how we share our faith? How does it further the vision of Red Rock Church to create a place that a person who doesn't normally come to church would love to come to?
- How does this change your view of why you are a part of this group?
- What can you do this week to explore how your approach to faith might change if it's true that the Bible isn't the foundation of that faith? How can this group support you?

MOVING FORWARD

Before the Old and New Testaments were combined and called the Bible, the debate about the Christian faith centered on an event, not a book. We believe Jesus rose from the dead, but not because the Bible says so. We believe because of the testimony of eyewitnesses who gave up everything—including their lives—because of their confidence in Jesus.

LIVE IT OUT

Memorize: 1 Corinthians 15:13–14

Journaling: Take some time this week to write down your story of God saving you from sin and bring you into a relationship with Him.

Prayer: Ask God to help you know him personally in a way that those around you would know you have God in your life.

Accountability: Share with your group next week how you took a step in knowing this God who loves you so much that he died for you and rose again for you.