

Experiencing God

Course Goals:

- Hear when God is speaking to you
- Clearly identify the activity of God in your life
- Believe Him to be and do everything He promises
- Adjust your beliefs, character, and behavior to Him and His ways
- Clearly know what you need to do in response to His activity in your life

(1) Jesus is your Way (The Word of God)

- John 1:1-4
- 2 Timothy 3:16
- John 14:6
- Romans 12:2

(2) Jesus is Our Model (How did Jesus interact with God)

John 5:17

In his defense Jesus said to them, “My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working.”

John 5:19

Jesus gave them this answer: “Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.

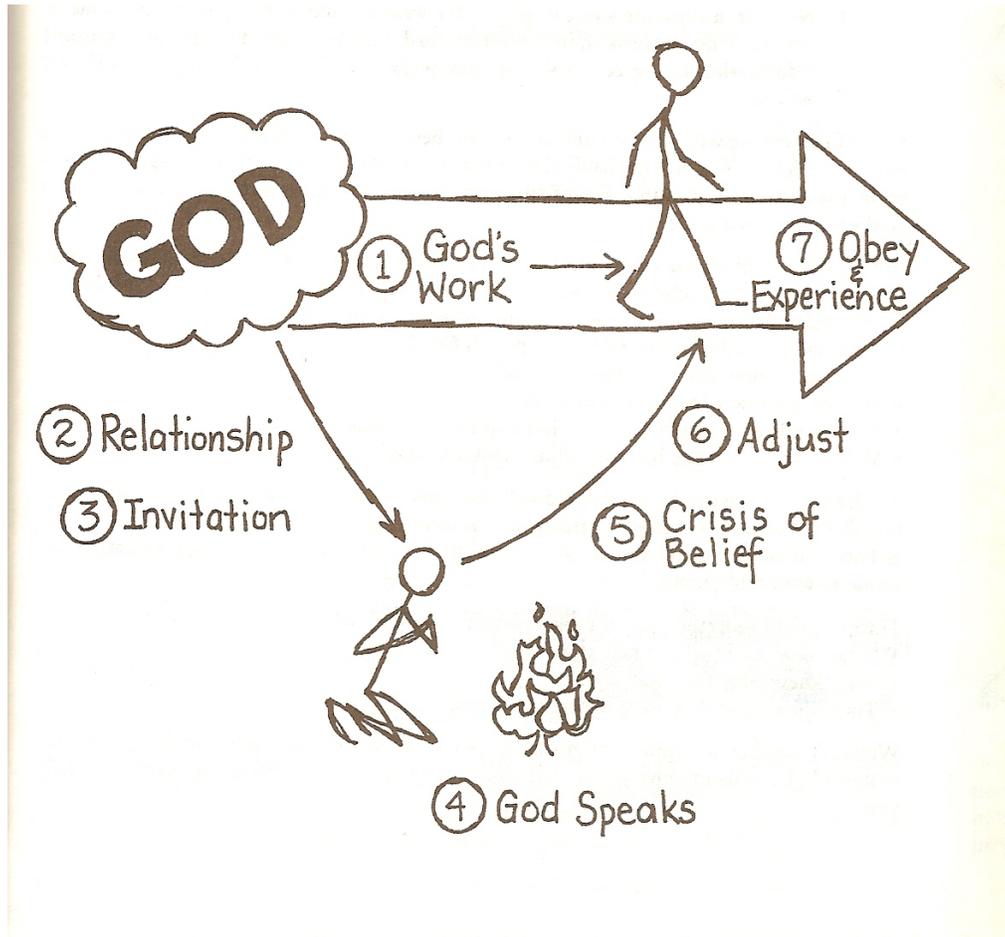
(3) Learning to be a servant of God.

Philippians 2:5-8

Jeremiah 18:1-6

(4) God Works through His Servants.

The Seven Realities of Experiencing God (Illustration)



1. God is always at work around you.
2. God pursues a continuing love relationship with you that is real and personal.
3. God invites you to become involved in His work.
4. God speaks by the Holy Spirit through the Bible, prayer, circumstances and the church to reveal Himself, His purposes, and His ways.
5. God's invitation for you to work with Him always leads you to a crisis of belief that requires faith and action.
6. You must make adjustments in your life to join God in what He is doing.
7. You come to know God by experience as you obey Him and He accomplishes His work through you.

Discussion Questions

Before you begin – make sure you take a minute to get to know everyone in the group.

What do you want to get out of this study?

Discuss as a group what commitment you are going to give to this study and hold each other accountable.

- Will you attend each week?
- Will you get the book and do the daily homework?
- Will you memorize the weekly scripture?

What are some ways that God is at work around you?

Discuss the potter and the clay (Jeremiah 18:1-6) How does God mold and shape us? How is He currently shaping you?

To follow God we must settle the issue of Jesus being Lord of our lives. What does that look like in your life? What changes did you have to make or still need to make?

Memory Verse – Week #1

John 15:5

“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.