

DEFINITION OF SPECIAL REVELATION

MESSAGE NOTES & SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE WEEK 3 – WHO IS GOD? PART 2

Attributes about God that He has intentionally revealed through
for the purpose of establishing a
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THREE MEANS OF SPECIAL REVELATION
⁵ Then you shall declare before the Lord your God: "My father was a wandering Aramean, and he went down into Egypt with a few people and lived there and became a great nation, powerful and numerous. ⁶ But the Egyptians mistreated us and made us suffer, subjecting us to harsh labor. ⁷ Then we cried out to the Lord, the God of our ancestors, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, toil and oppression. ⁸ So the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. ⁹ He brought us to this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; — Deuteronomy 26:5-9 (NIV)
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¹⁰ You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, ¹¹ persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. ¹² In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. — 2 Timothy 3:10-17 (NIV)
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¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was with God in the beginning. ³Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it...¹⁴The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

- John 1:1-5, 14 (NIV)

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- 1. Which of the truths about God that have been specially revealed do you appreciate *most*?
- 2. Which of the truths about God that have been specially revealed do you appreciate *least*?
- 3. What does it mean that doesn't give us all the information we want?
- 4. How are some means of special revelation more important than others? Why does this matter?
- 5. **Read Hebrews 1:1-3.** What does this tell us about God's revelation of Himself through Jesus?
- 6. How might this be important in our lives as believers in Jesus?
- 7. What are some ways that God is active in creation?
- 8. How do we know that God wants to be known?
- 9. How has God revealed that He is personal and not indifferent?
- 10. What does it mean that God is not silent?
- 11. How does special revelation tell of the God's extraordinary love?
- 12. If you do not trust God with what he has revealed, why are you unlikely to trust him if he revealed more information to you?