

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Asking for a Friend - Week 4



CONNECT

Spend some time checking in. What are highs and lows since you last met? How can your group members pray for and support each other this week?

GROW

- Name some well-known rivalries—social, cultural, historical, etc. Have you considered science and religion to be rivals? Why or why not?
- To learn more about someone, it helps to study what they create. Think of public figures (artists, athletes, architects, etc.) where this example is true. How could you learn more about God by studying what God created? Read Romans 1:20 (back).
- Think of a time where you learned something, and then later on you learned even more about that thing. What changes in you as you learn more? How could learning more about science actually make God's love bigger or help you see God more clearly? Read Psalm 8:3-8 (back).
- Rather than thinking about science and religion as rivals what would it mean for you to think of them as friends?

PRAY

God, you gave us the gifts of questions. Help us to use our minds to learn, discern, and grow deeper in faith in you. Amen.



BIBLE READINGS

Romans 1:20

20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

Psalm 8:3-8

3 When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,

4 what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

5 You have made them a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honor.

6 You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet:

7 all flocks and herds,
and the animals of the wild,

8 the birds in the sky,
and the fish in the sea,
all that swim the paths of the seas.

