

## Message Series: PRACTICAL ATHEIST

### I BELIEVE IN GOD, BUT I DON'T KNOW HIM

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**PRACTICAL ATHEIST: SOMEONE WHO \_\_\_\_\_ IN GOD,  
BUT \_\_\_\_\_ AS IF HE DOESN'T EXIST.**

*They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny him. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good. Titus 1:16*

- **SOME BELIEVE IN GOD, BUT DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ HIM.**

*We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands. The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 1 John 2:3-4*

*"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!" Matthew 7:21-23*

- **SOME BELIEVE IN GOD AND \_\_\_\_\_ HIM, BUT DON'T KNOW HIM \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Formerly, when you did not know God, you were slaves to those who by nature are not gods. But now that you know God-or rather are known by God-how is it that you are turning back to those weak and miserable principles? Do you wish to be enslaved by them all over again? Galatians 4:8-9*

- **SOME KNOW HIM \_\_\_\_\_ AND  
\_\_\_\_\_ HIM WHOLEHEARTEDLY.**

*God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. Psalm 63:1-4*

*Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you. Psalm 9:10*

#### MY PRAYER FOR YOU

*I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe. Ephesians 1:17-19*

#### QUESTIONS FOR HEART GROUPS:

- 1) Some people believe in God, but don't know Him. Some know Him, but not well. Some know Him intimately and serve Him wholeheartedly. Which one are you?
- 2) Some people don't know how to get to know God better? Discuss some ways one can become more intimate with God.
- 3) What is the biggest thing God has shown you through the series *Practical Atheist*?



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