

FIRST CALL

THE CALL

LAST CALL

WITH GOD #1

“As fish are caught in a cruel net, or birds are taken in a snare, so people are trapped by evil times that fall unexpectedly upon them.” Ecclesiastes 9:12 NIV

LIFE IS _____ AND _____.

WE DESIRE _____ AND _____.

DRIVER = _____.

WAYS WE RELATE TO GOD OUT OF FEAR

LIFE _____ GOD.

GOAL = _____ NOT GOD HIMSELF.

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RESULT = _____ VS _____

DON'T MISS THE POINT! LIFE WITH GOD HIMSELF

“Jesus looked toward heaven and prayed: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.” John 17:1-4 NIV

SEE THE _____.

As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.” Matthew 3:16-17 NIV

SEE THE _____.

“All right then, the Lord himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means ‘God is with us’).” Isaiah 7:14 NLT

SEE THE _____.

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we^[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,” Romans 5:1 NIV

TO: _____.

“My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.” John 17:20-23 NIV

TO: _____.

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

TO: _____.

BIG IDEA:

FLAWED VISION OF GOD = _____

THE BOTTOM LINE OF RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it.” Matthew 13:44-46 NIV

LIFE WITH GOD = _____

“Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God’s kindness is intended to lead you to repentance?” Romans 2:4 NIV

FOR DISCUSSION:

How do you feel when someone close to you seeks to control you for their own benefit?

How does fear over your circumstances influence the way you relate to God?

How does seeing why Jesus came to earth change the way we relate to Him?

How can you practice being with God versus other ways of relating to Him out of fear?