



### Goals:

The 01 Discovery Classes are meant to be a launching point for discipleship!

The goal is to help provide people with tools to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ.

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## DISCOVERING Our Church Family 101

### THE BASICS.

<sup>19</sup>Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also, members of his household, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. Eph. 2: 19-20

Key Truths: At the Compass Church there are things we believe are "True Norths" or non-negotiable facts that influence our faith and how we live it out. During Discovering Our Church Family, we will look at three of these "True Norths."

- 1. There is one true God.
- 2. The Bible is the inspired, infallible Word of God!
- 3. Salvation can only be found through the words of Scripture, and the person of Jesus Christ.

### THE GOAL OF C.L.A.S.S. 101:

- Understand who God is.
- Understand what the Bible is, and how it came about.

# God?

Who is God?	?		
How do you	relate to God?		
When do yo	u feel closest to God?		
A good start	ing point: What does God say	about Himself?	
There are 35	6 "I am" statements that God N	1akes about Himse	elf in the Bible.
	43: 13 says Yes, and from ancind. When I act, who can rever		No one can deliver out of
What does t	his Scripture mean?		
Psalms 90: 2	1		
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God is	God has always	God	everything.

How do we understand or process that?						

### Isaiah 43: 11-13

11 I, even I, am the LORD, and apart from me there is no savior. 12 I have revealed and saved and proclaimed— I, and not some foreign god among you. You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "that I am God. 13 Yes, and from ancient days I am he. No one can deliver out of my hand. When I act, who can reverse it?

Notice that God is a God of
One of the greatest examples of this is in the creation story!
God created from

#### Exodus 32: 5-14

5 When Aaron saw this, he built an altar in front of the calf and announced, "Tomorrow there will be a festival to the LORD." 6 So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.

7 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. 8 They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, 'These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.'

- 9 "I have seen these people," the LORD said to Moses, "and they are a stiff-necked people. 10 Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation."
- 11 But Moses sought the favor of the LORD his God. "LORD," he said, "why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disasters on your people.

  13 Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: 'I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.'

  14 Then the LORD relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

### Genesis 18: 20-33

20 Then the LORD said, "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great and their sin so grievous 21 that I will go down and see if what they have done is as bad as the outcry that has reached me. If not, I will know." 22 The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD. 23 Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? 24 What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? 25 Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

26 The LORD said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." 27 Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, 28 what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?" "If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it." 29 Once again he spoke to him, "What if only forty are found there?" He said, "For the sake of forty, I will not do it." 30 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak. What if only thirty can be found there?" He answered, "I will not do it if I find thirty there." 31 Abraham said, "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, what if only twenty can be found there?" He said, "For the sake of twenty, I will not destroy it."

32 Then he said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it."

33 When the LORD had finished speaking with Abraham, he left, and Abraham returned home.

How do these two passages affect your understanding of God being a God of action?	

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## What do other people say about God in the Bible?

Let's look at Psalm 139: 1-6

You have searched me, LORD, and you know me. 2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. 3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. 4 Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely. 5 You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

Psalm 139 says that God knows everything; what does that mean?				
If we have free will how does God know everything?				
Exodus 34:14				
14 Do not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous Gowhat image comes to mind when you think of God being Jealous? Is it a good trait?				