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Unit 1 Activity — Journal

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Lesson 1 – Attributes of God

Key verse: Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." (James 1:17)

Concept: A.W. Tozer in his classic book on the attributes of God, The Knowledge of the Holy, said, "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." In our hearts we know is not enough to follow "god." That word has come to mean so many different things today that it actually means very little. If we just make up our own minds concerning what He is like, then we are just creating an idol in our heads. Among the ideas we studied in this lesson is the truth that Jesus came to reveal the God of the Bible. And God has revealed Himself in His book. Any deviation from that insight from Him is a made-up god.

Insight & Revelation

For this journal, explore the intersection of insight and revelation. On the one hand, we must believe the truth for it to be real in our lives. On the other hand, we need to make sure that we are not our own source of truth. How do you balance this? What are the ramifications of either extreme? In other words, what happens when you just "memorize" knowledge but don't understand it, believe it and internalize it? Or what happens if your truth is without knowledge?