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Sometimes we just need to know that God is here and that he's paying attention. If we knew that with certainty, then maybe we would be fine or at least finer. Maybe you're still looking for that sign and you haven't found it yet, so you start to wonder. We all have a concept of what God is like, but until the arrival of Jesus, the world was left guessing. There was so much mystery, only hints and shadows, and then God came to dwell with us to demonstrate for us what he is like. If you look anywhere other than Jesus for what God is like, then you are looking in the wrong place. God is like Jesus. Jesus came to us to demonstrate, illustrate, and communicate what God is like, who he is, and who he loves.

Scripture: [Philippians 3:6 NLT](#); [1 Timothy 1:15 NLT](#); [Colossians 2:17 NLT](#); [John 14:1-11 NLT](#)

Bottom Line: The reason Jesus came was to demonstrate what God is like.

Discuss:

1. When you think of an outstanding father, what fictional characters come to mind? Why?
2. Now think of a real person who is an outstanding father. Why did that person come to mind? What qualities do they have that make them an outstanding father?
3. Read [John 14:7-10](#) aloud. What stands out to you? What would you say is the most important statement Jesus makes in those verses? Why?
4. What could be misleading about looking to one or more of the following in order to understand what God is like?
 - Circumstances
 - Religious traditions
 - Yourself
5. What do we learn about the Father from the Son?

Moving Forward:

This week, read the Gospel of John, and while reading keep this question in mind: What do I learn about the Father from the Son? Jesus was the sign to assure you he's here, knows the details of your life, and cares about you.