

Finding Your Religion Part 6
Dad Almighty
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What has stood out to you most during this series?
What stood out during this message?

What words would you use to describe a good father?

Is the idea of God being a father problematic for you?

Read John 14:5-9 NIV

5 Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don’t know where you are going, so how can we know the way?”

6 Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. **7** If you really know me, you will know **8** my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.”

8 Philip said, “Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.”

9 Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”

The type of person Jesus is shows us the type of person God the Father is. Based on Jesus’ personality, what can we conclude God the Father is like?

Read Hebrews 12:5-6

5 And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says,
“My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline,
and do not lose heart when he rebukes you,
6 because the Lord disciplines the one he loves,
and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.”^a

What are the two ways Jim said people respond to God’s discipline?
What is the best way to respond?
Why does God discipline the ones he loves?

What evidence do you see that God values fun?
How does sin destroy fun?

What is the difference between religion and a relationship with your Heavenly Father?
Why is it better?