

**Series Title:** Unsettling Questions/God's Existence—Why do we believe in God?

**Main Idea:** There are some good reasons to believe that God exists.

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### **Connection**

Describe your best or worst summer job.

Have you ever had a sense of awe looking up at the night sky? What was that like?

### **Understanding**

Ask for volunteers to read aloud these verses: Job 11:7-9, Isaiah 55: 8-9, Psalm 145:3 and 2 Corinthians 5:7.

What would you say these verses have in common? What do they tell us about ourselves and God? How do they speak to the challenge of "proving" God's existence?

Read 1 Peter 3:15. What do you think are the most important words or phrases in this verse?

Is it a 'cop-out' to say, "I don't have reasons for what I believe, I just believe"? What's a better response?

What are the strengths and weaknesses of these three arguments for God's existence: Cosmological, Design, Objective Moral?

### **Living**

What faith tradition did you grow up with (i.e., none, Catholic, Methodist, Baptist...)?

How has doubt played a role in your faith development?

Have you ever had a discussion with someone about God's existence? How did that go?