#1 Have you ever wondered about God?

What are the first five words that jump into your head when you hear the word “God”? [5]
Colossians 1:15, 20. Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation... and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.

Five things this passage tells me about Jesus.

Philippians 3:8-9. Yes, everything else is worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have discarded everything else, counting it all as garbage, so that I could gain Christ and become one with him.

Apply the truth personally

If you want to know who God is, know Jesus.

“Jesus said, I am...”

...the bread of life (John 6:35)
...the light of the world (John 8:12)
...the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6)
...the vine; you are the branches (John 15:5)

Draw a sketch depicting whichever “I am” statement intrigues you most. Place yourself somewhere in the sketch you draw.
LISTEN TO OTHERS DEEPLY

THIS WEEK, SHARE THE SALT VIDEO
“Have You Ever Wondered About God?”

You can find this YouTube video at the following link: somethingamazing.net/God. Share the video however you want—on social, by text, tweet, email, side-by-side on your phone or sitting at your computer with your friend. Whatever fits you best.

Pray before you share it and follow it up with, “Let’s talk about it. I want to know what you think.” Ask questions, listen and engage in give-and-take conversation.

Ask questions like...
• What did you think of the video?
• What do you think God is like?
• Do you come from a religious background? If so, what was it like?
• Where does your view of God come from?
• Do you think it’s legit to just pick and choose what we want God to be like and then believe that about Him?
• Have you ever thought about the God-human connections as a “relationship,” instead of as a “religion”?

Once you’ve opened up the conversation and better understand where the other person is coming from, talk about the gospel.

Say something like...

“Jesus showed us what God is like—relational, loving, giving and forgiving. Has anyone ever explained Jesus’ gospel message to you?”

Then take them to the cross and talk about John 3:16: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life” (NIV).

For help explaining the gospel to your friends, consider using the “Something Amazing” video available at somethingamazing.net.