"... The Existence of God!"

(Genesis 1:1; Psalm 14; Ezekiel 33)

- I. Introduction:
 - *A.* To the series
 - Understanding the topics
 - B. To the culture
 - Understanding the <u>times</u> (1 Chronicles 12:32a)
 - C. To the message
 - Understanding the teaching
 - o 1 Timothy 4:6
 - o 2 Timothy 4:3-4
- II. Exposition: The Existence of God
 - A. Some Prominent Worldviews
 - 1. **Naturalism** Atheism/Agnosticism
 - a. Definition
 - b. View of God
 - c. View of humanity
 - d. View of nature
 - 2. **Transcendentalism** Buddhism/Hinduism
 - a. Definition
 - b. View of God
 - c. View of humanity
 - d. View of nature
 - 3. **Theism** Judaism, Christianity, Islam
 - a. Definition

- b. View of God
- c. View of humanity
- d. View of nature
- B. Some Prominent Texts
 - 1. *Genesis* 1:1
 - 2. Psalm 14
 - 3. Isaiah 6:3/Revelation 4:8
- C. Some Prominent Arguments for God's Existence
 - 1. **Cosmological** Argument Romans1:18-20
 - 2. **Teleological** Argument Psalm 19:1-6
 - 3. **Anthropological** Argument Acts 17:28-29
- III. Conclusion: Ezekiel 33:11

Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:

- 1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What's your keeper?)
- 2. What most excites and what most concerns you about the topics in this series? Why?
- 3. Can you give a clear definition of each worldview presented?
- 4. What items in Naturalism and Transcendentalism are hardest for us as Christians to address and why?
- 5. What did the prominent texts which were presented tell us about the existence of God and the theistic worldview?
- 6. Which of the arguments for the existence of God is most useful to you and why?
- 7. What stuck out to you from the conclusion?
- 8. Finish this sentence with the primary thing that God is leading you to do: "In light of these passages and this discussion, I will ..." (What is your action point?)

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