

Whac-A-Mole: Week 1 — "Atheism"

CONNECT: What's your favorite arcade game?

GROW:

1. **Read Jude 1:22-23.** Are there any atheists in your close circle? What have your conversations with them been like on the topic of God?

- 2. Scott posed the question, "Why do atheists say they don't believe in God and then live as if there is one?" He called this the hypocrisy of atheism. What are some examples of this that you've noticed in our world today?
- 3. Has there ever been a time in your life when you didn't believe in God? What was your thought process at that time, and what changed your mind about His existence?
- 4. Do seeds of doubt ever enter your mind? What do you do when that happens?
- 5. "We were all born with an intense desire to dedicate our lives to someone or something that matters."
 - a. We all have an innate desire to worship someone or something. Where do you see this in our world today?
 - b. **Read Romans 1:25.** Scott said, "False gods *take* more than they give. If you make a good thing an ultimate thing, ultimately that thing will take everything from you." Have you experienced this personally or witnessed it in someone else's life?
- 6. What's one thing Scott said in his message that stood out to you or you'd never heard/thought about before? Is there anything you didn't quite follow or you'd like to learn more about? (Let the group help each other out on anything that may have been confusing for someone).
- 7. What's something from the message that you'll keep in mind or use in your conversations with those who struggle to believe in God? (Or what's something you'll remember when doubt creeps into your own mind?)

PRAY: Pray over the people in your lives who struggle to believe; pray for them to see Jesus clearly through you. And pray over anyone in the group who is struggling with doubt.

NEXT: What's something you could do to prepare yourself for further conversations with atheists in your life, or help strengthen your own faith?