

Week 3

Chapter 2 - What Difference Does It Make if God Exists?

Class Notes and Activities

Reading Guide

You can read through Chapter 2 in the book somewhat quickly because for our class discussion, I'm going to "change it up" a bit and have you spend our class time discussing the Religious Nones.



Reflection Questions

Write in or type in your thoughts to the questions below. We'll share our thoughts with each other in a think-pair-share activity.

1. What are Your Thoughts on How to Interact with the Nones in Name Only (NiNos) and the Spiritual but Not Religious (SBNR)? How would you engage them to get them interested in Christianity?
 - a. Nones in Name Only (NiNos) - consider themselves to be religious but don't associate with a religious group
 - b. Spiritual But Not Religious (SBNRs) - interested in spirituality but skeptical of religion

2. Is it possible that some of the Nones have an incorrect view of Christianity or something that happened in their life to cause them to not accept Christianity?
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4. What are some characteristics of a Christian that a religious "none" would notice that would make them attracted to Christianity?
5. What are some misconceptions that some people have about what Christianity is?
6. Suppose someone from another country, who has not been influenced by American culture and society, learns you are a Christian. They ask you the following questions. How would you respond?
 - a. What is Christianity?
 - b. How is Christianity different from other religions?
 - c. They have heard that Christians "get saved." And they've heard that Christians go to church on Sunday, pray, and read the Bible. They ask you if that's what makes a person a Christian. What do you say to them?



Questions, Thoughts, or Ideas I have:



What to Do Before Next Week's Class

1. Read Chapter 3 - "Why Does Anything At All Exist?"
2. Go to Google Docs and access the handout for next week's class (Week 4 - Chapter 3 - "Why Does Anything At All Exist?") -
 - For instructions on how to save the file to your Google Drive or if you want a copy but don't have a Google account, go to [Handouts](#) (found in the Resources section of the website).

** Email me at thecaseforchristianity2025 at gmail.com (put the @ symbol in place of the "at") if you have any questions during the week. (Notice that there is the word "the" at the beginning of the email address - **the**caseforchristianity2025.) I am pretty quick at responding to emails so check your email soon after you have emailed me to see if I have responded.