

# GROUP DISCUSSION

Questions for facilitating dynamic discussion

## Explore God

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### Additional questions for Week 4: Is Christianity Too Narrow?

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*John 3:16-18*

#### Instruction:

Discussion Group leaders should preview the videos and questions provided through [exploreGod.com](http://exploreGod.com) as well as these “additional questions.” With your unique group in mind, leaders should pick and choose which elements meet the needs of their group best.

Guide: <https://my.exploreGod.com/resources/facilitators-guide-7-big-questions>

Video #1: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yX3i\\_6Pz4jA&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yX3i_6Pz4jA&feature=youtu.be)

Video #2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZqPx1i934pA&feature=youtu.be>

#### Read the following passage:

<sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. <sup>18</sup> Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.

*John 3:16-18 (NIV)*

#### Questions:

1. What does this passage mean by “believe?”
2. How does this passage convey that Jesus is the only way to receive eternal life?
3. Some see God’s decision to require people to trust Jesus to be unnecessarily narrow and even cruel. How does this passage defend the goodness of God?
4. Do you think it is possible for someone who has never heard the name of Jesus to be reconciled to God through Jesus? Why do you have that conviction?
5. Verse 18 indicates that some stand condemned because they refuse to believe in Jesus. Why do many choose not to believe in Jesus?