



“Mythbusters II”
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Review Part I:

Colossians 4:4, 6 (NLT)

Pray that I will proclaim this message as clearly as I should. 6 Let your conversation be gracious and effective so that you will have the right answer for everyone.

- * A challenging assignment = “The right answer for everyone.”
- * A challenging foundation = Christianity stakes a claim to absolute truth!

1. We can’t “water it down”.
2. We must communicate it with love and humility.

I Timothy 1:4 (NLT)

Don't let people waste time in endless speculation over myths and spiritual pedigrees. For these things only cause arguments; they don't help people live a life of faith in God.

II Corinthians 4:2a, 4a (NLT)

We reject all shameful and underhanded methods. We do not try to trick anyone, and we do not distort the word of God... 4 Satan, the god of this evil world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe, so they are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News that is shining upon them...

- * The “enemy” is really committed to convincing people of a wrong _____ of who God is.

Myths About God

1. Why is God so _____?

Micah 7:18-19a (NLT)

Where is another God like you, who pardons the sins of the survivors among his people? You cannot stay angry with your people forever, because you delight in showing mercy. 19 Once again you will have compassion on us...

2. Why does God seem so _____?

Psalms 139:3, 7 (NLT)

You chart the path ahead of me and tell me where to stop and rest. Every moment you know where I am. 7 I can never escape from your spirit! I can never get away from your presence!

3. Why is God so _____?

Psalms 103:8-9a (NLT)

The LORD is merciful and gracious; he is slow to get angry and full of unfailing love. 9 He will not constantly accuse us...

Busting the Myth

1. I need a _____ of who God really is.

Ephesians 1:17 (NLT)...asking God, the glorious Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, to give you spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you might grow in your knowledge of God.

Psalms 139:17 (NLT) How precious are your thoughts about me, O God! They are innumerable!

2. I need to take a _____ of faith.

Hebrews 11:6 (NLT) So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that there is a God and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.

3. I need to give it my _____.

Jeremiah 29:13(NIV) You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Personal Action Steps

- How do I respond to “negative” voices to Christianity without forgetting who is the true “enemy”?
- Do I struggle with any of the three “God Myths”?
- I will embrace God’s perspective regarding **Who He Really Is!**