

Begin Anew

Believing in God

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2. Who am I in this picture, right now – where the pool water represents God? Where am I in my relationship with God?

3. The *Begin Anew* journey...

Believing in God

Belonging in Community

Becoming mature

Behaving like Christ

4. FREE online videos in support of the *Begin Anew* series @ *CommonWord* Bookstore and Resource Centre.

5. When you think about God – what comes to your mind?

6. False Concepts of God:

THE ENFORCER

THE PARENT HOLDOVER

THE BEARDED ELDER

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8. False Concepts of God continued...

THE DISTANT CREATOR

THE VIOLENT GOD

9. What stories from your own experience come to mind when you hear these concepts of God? Which one or ones of these caricatures have you struggled with?

10. What does the bible say about God?

THE GOD OF FREEDOM (Jn. 10:10; 1 Cor. 10:23)

THE PERFECT PARENT (Luke 15)

11. <https://vimeo.com/137693761>

12. What does the bible say about God continued...

THE FATHER GOD WITH A MOTHER'S HEART

THE TIMELESS SPIRITUAL BEING WHOSE ESSENCE IS LOVE (Ps. 90:2; Jn. 4:24; 1 Jn. 4:8)

THE PERSONAL CREATOR (Gen. 1:1; Col. 1:15-17).

13. But can we know Him? Is He personal?

14. *You must submit to (correction for the purpose of) discipline; God is dealing with you as with sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline* (Heb. 12:7, AMP).

15. *No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it* (Heb. 12:11).

16. **TAKE HOME Q. What difference does it make in my life that I believe in God?**