

Watch Your *Doctrine*

Session 1: Knowing God with Pastor Colin Smith

Message Outline

1. Gripped by the glory of God
2. Humbled by your own need
3. Compelled by the grace of God

Discussion Questions

1. Doctrine is important because, at its core, it is faithful teaching of what God has revealed in His Word. What are the consequences of a believer not having a good grasp of doctrine? What are the consequences for a leader?
2. When have you been most gripped by God's glory? Why is it so essential for Christian leadership?
3. How important is it to God that we are humbled by our need? (See also Isaiah 66:2b.)
4. Pastor Colin said, "Speaking was [Isaiah's] spiritual gift and it would have been so easy for Isaiah to use that gift to promote himself. Sin lurked not only in the dark corners of his life, but even in his greatest gift!" In what ways might you be tempted to sin in the use of your ministry gifts?
5. "God by His grace takes the sacrifice of Jesus and applies it to the place in your life where you are most aware of your own sin and most ashamed of your repeated failure." How does this speak to your heart? How does this shape your view of why Isaiah could say, "Here I am! Send me"?
6. Christian leaders need a growing relationship with God to sustain ministry. How do you most need to grow in your relationship with God?