

*Simply Good News*

Chapter 7: "Surprised by God"

1. Have you had the experience that Wright describes: someone characterizing God in a way that is different than how Scripture describes?
2. Describe the way you see our culture expressing a Deistic view of God.
3. How does the idea that our first priority with God is not to understand him, but to trust him shape the way we speak about God? (133)
4. Why is understanding God as creator so very important? How does God as creator usually rank with us?
5. On page 144 Wright answers the charge that there is not enough evidence for God, so he contrasts Israel's God with the other gods. How does he address this? How does his response line up with how you have heard others, or you yourself, have addressed the issue? What are the gods today?
6. How does the Gospel portraits of Scripture shape the way we describe God?