



MAXIMIZE THE MESSAGE

The Four Faces of God

The EAGLE: Week 4

IN A NUTSHELL

In this final week of the Four Faces of God series we come to the last image, the Eagle. An eagle has a keen ability to soar high above and with its extraordinary vision is able to see for many miles. However, God's range is limitless. He is above all things, knows and sees everything, is everywhere, and is absolutely all powerful! In addition to adopting us, He loves us with an everlasting love. He redeems us and calls us His friend, but He is also our judge. He commands us to live holy lives through the power of the Holy Spirit within us (*Hebrews 12:14; 1 Peter 1:14-16*).

TALK IT OUT

1. God is sovereign. His will and timing are perfect. Can you remember times in your life where it was really difficult to accept this truth at first, but eventually you saw that His way was better than you had initially thought? (*See Proverbs 3:5-6*).
2. When we first fall in love with someone we would never consider being unloving or unfaithful. When you first fell in love with God, you probably felt that same level of commitment. Unfortunately, our hearts stray all too easily from one another – and from God. Why do you think this is? What have you done or what are you doing to fight this and stay committed to loving God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind? (*See Revelation 3:15-16; 2:2*.)
3. What are you doing to make sure that you are Biblically sound and can rightly divide the word of God? (*See 1 Timothy 2:15; Hebrews 4:12; Psalm 1:1-3*.)
4. Someone once said that when we point our fingers at someone else there are always at least three pointing back at us. What are you doing to avoid being hypocritical in your thinking and actions? Where do you struggle most with this issue?

DRAW IT OUT

In Romans 8:1 we are reminded that “there is no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus.” We must listen to and heed the conviction of the Holy Spirit, but also discern the difference between condemnation and conviction. False guilt is not from God, but godly sorrow leads to repentance (*2 Corinthians 7:10*). We are commanded to avoid sexual immorality – what we watch, read, and experience. Do you have current lifestyle issues that you have compromised or agreed with that seem “okay” but would not be acceptable in God's eyes? Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you, confess sincerely, and seek the power of the Holy Spirit to repent (turn away and live in new ways). Be willing to share your journey with a trusted friend. Ask that person to pray for you and be there for you as you enter this crucial time of rearranging your life to more clearly reflect the One you love above all else.

LIVE IT OUT

Consider joining or starting an iMAX Life Group. If you are already in a Life Group, discuss how God has called you to a fresh commitment to holy living. Pray for one another and encourage one another. Be an “iron sharpener” (*Proverbs 27:17*). As a community of believers, we must hold one another to a higher standard both for God's glory and for the world to notice that pleasing God is our goal!



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