**Meeting with God Core Seminar Schedule**

Week 1: Introduction: The What, Why and How of Meeting with God

Week 2: Meeting with God in His Word: Hearing and Reading

Week 3: Meeting with God in His Word: Studying, Meditating and Memorizing

Week 4: Meeting with God through Prayer

Week 5: Prayer, Hindrances and Practicalities

Week 6: Panel

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***Core Seminars—Meeting with God***

**Class 1: The What, Why, and How**

**Two Assertions**:

1. It is possible to meet with God.
2. Meeting with God is something we should do.

**The What: We can meet with God**

The Revelation of God

“*How does it appear that there is a God?   
  
Answer: The very light of nature in man, and the works of God, declare plainly that there is a God; but his Word and Spirit only do sufficiently and effectually reveal him unto men for their salvation.*”

-Westminster Larger Catechism, Question 2

God reveals Himself in two ways:

1. General revelation

Psalm 19:1-2

Romans 1:19-20

1. Special revelation

Old Testament

New Testament

What Scripture says about Jesus

1. He is the image of the invisible God.   
   (Colossians 1:15)
2. He was a prophet.   
   (John 12:49-50)
3. He is a priest (mediator).   
   (Hebrews 9:11-12)
4. He is King.   
   (John 18:33-37)
5. He is God.   
   (John 1:1)

What Scripture says about us

Our sin separates us from God.

What Scripture says about salvation

The New Testament establishes the means of restoration.

“*Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*”

- Hebrews 4:16

**The Why: Meeting with God is necessary**

Reasons we should meet with God:

1. Because He is worthy.
2. Because we are His.
3. Because it leads us into a deeper relationship with Him.
4. Because it leads us to worship Him.
5. Because it helps us grow.
6. Because it helps us persevere.

“*For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*”

- Hebrews 4:12

**The How: Meeting with God, practically**

1. Through Faith
2. Through scripture.
   1. The inspired Word of God.
      1. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
   2. Scripture that speaks of itself.
      1. Matthew 4:4
      2. Deuteronomy 8:3
      3. Romans 15:4
      4. Psalm 119
   3. Mediation and self-examination.
3. Through prayer.
4. With the people of God.