



Discussion Questions

FAITHFULLY DIFFERENT

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Chapter 5: Reestablishing What We (Should) Actually Believe

1. In your own words, why is the word *should* so often resented by those with a secular worldview?
2. How would you describe why progressive Christians and Christians with a biblical worldview often see the world so differently?
3. Why does a person's view of what love means ultimately depend on their view of the authority of God and the Bible?
4. Of the five principles given in this chapter for guarding biblical beliefs, which one(s) do you think Christians struggle with the most? Which one, if any, have *you* struggled with the most? What do you think would help you to resolve that struggle?
5. Did you have a favorite quote? (page #)

Chapter 6: Reexamining Beliefs When Confronted with Doubt

6. Why do you think headline-making deconversion stories shake the faith of so many people?
7. Which type of catalyst for deconversion do you think is most common in today's culture—intellectual, emotional, or moral indignation? Why?

Note: Except for the question about a favorite quotation, these questions are taken from end of each chapter in the book *Faithfully Different*.

8. What are some questions you've struggled with in the past or currently struggle with regarding the truth of Christianity? Which one(s) do you feel you most need to prioritize seeking biblical answers to?
9. If a Christian friend of yours confided that they were struggling to still believe in Jesus because of the hurt they believe the church has caused, what are some of the suggestions you would share with them for dealing with those doubts (either from the "Dealing with Doubts" points in this chapter or from your own experience)?
10. Did you have a favorite quote? (page #)