

The Big Questions Club – Week 4 | Theme: Why would I want a relationship with God?

This Week's Philosopher: SIMONE WEIL

Simone Weil was a French philosopher and mystic who lived in the early 1900s. She thought a lot about suffering, love, and what it means to really pay attention to others and to God.

For Weil, real love begins with attention. When you truly see someone and care about what they are going through, you are loving them in the deepest way. She believed that our connection with God works the same way. It's not about having perfect answers. It's about being open and present.

Here are a few things Weil wrote:

- "The love of our neighbor in all its fullness simply means being able to say to him: What are you going through"
- Waiting for God (1951)
- "Attention is the rarest and purest form of generosity"
- Gravity and Grace (1952)
- "The soul knows for certain only that it is hungry"
- Waiting for God (1951)

In other words

Love starts when we slow down enough to notice someone else. When we ask what they're going through and care about the answer. That's how we grow real connection and that's also how we might begin to relate to God.

Something to think about

Have you ever felt really seen or known?
What would it be like to offer that same kind of attention to God?

Heard in Today's Video

Curious what the Bible says about friendship with God and being loved These are a few of the verses we heard in today's video:

"I have called you friends"

- John 15:15

"Nothing at all can ever separate us from God's love"

- Romans 8:39

"Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person"

- 2 Corinthians 5:17

"God began a good work in you and he will carry it on until it is completed"

- Philippians 1:6

Feel free to think about them or ask questions if you're curious

A Final Word

We all want to be known and loved. And that starts with paying attention to each other and maybe even to God. Today we explored the idea that God is not far away but wants a real connection with us. Not just belief but friendship. If that is true it might change how we think about love itself

Watch It Again

Want to rewatch this week's video or see what you notice the second time around Scan the QR code below and check it out anytime this week

