

Home Group Discussion Guide

Mind The Gap – Mark 12:18-27

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The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

The questions are a **guide** to help lead discussion.

Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked, instead respond to the needs of your group. If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

GETTING STARTED

1. Can you relate to looking down on other people for having gaps in their understanding about God? Why?
2. Can you think of a moment when you have had your understanding of God shift over time?
 - a. What was it about?

REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

Key Scripture: Mark 12:18-27; Acts 23:8; Deuteronomy 25:5-10; Exodus 3:1-6

(Read Mark 12:18-27)

1. What do you know about the Sadducees? (Acts 23:8 can give more context)
2. What are the Sadducees really trying to question Jesus about? (*What is their aim?*)
3. The Sadducees' question highlights that they had shrunk God to their understanding; what are some of the ways we do this?
4. Jesus challenges them about not knowing the Scriptures, or the power of God – Is this a critique that could apply to you? Why/Why not?
5. How does Jesus' invitation to consider Moses at the burning bush (Exodus 3:1-6) invite them to consider this situation differently?

RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

1. Are you aware of a gap in your understanding of God at the moment?
 - a. How can you develop curiosity to take a closer look?
 - b. What would it look like to be humble, and admit there is more to God than you've yet grasped?

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

Please note that Home Group Discussion Guides will finish for 2025 with the 30th of November's message. They will return again in late January 2026.

