

Mythbusters 3 :: Myth Agents :: Jeff Henderson

INTRODUCTION

Perceptions may not be the truth about you but they are what people use to make decisions about you. And the same is true about God. It's rare for people to search the Scriptures and conclude that there is no God. More often than not, people make decisions about God based on their perceptions. Which leads us to this very important question: Where are all these myths and misperceptions about God coming from? And even more personal: What part do I play in this?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Christians are all too often one of the primary sources of myths and misperceptions about God. When a watching world looks at Christians, what do you think they perceive about God?
- 2. Personally, how have Christians negatively impacted your perception of God?
- 3. How have Christians positively impacted your perception of God?
- 4. Read Acts 9:1-16. Ananias was faced with a choice of whether or not to be an ambassador of God to a hostile skeptic. What opportunities do you have to represent God to those who don't know him?
- 5. Read Acts 9:17-19. With the words "Brother Saul" Ananias chose to be a myth buster and change a skeptic's perception of Christians and the God they serve. How can you be a myth buster?

THINK ABOUT IT

In your spheres of influence (home, work, community, etc.) are you a myth agent or a myth buster? Are you reinforcing misperceptions about God or are you working to paint a true picture of who he is?

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

One way that your group can be myth busters in your community is by serving. Go to www.theintersectproject.org and sign up to be reflections of God's heart for the less fortunate.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord-Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here-has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Acts 9:17