



## Episode 11 - Here Comes the Sun

"The sun,--the bright sun, that brings back, not light alone, but new life, and hope, and freshness to man--burst upon the crowded city in clear and radiant glory. Through costly-coloured glass and paper-mended window, through cathedral dome and rotten crevice, it shed its equal ray." — Charles Dickens, Oliver Twist

## The Sun—I both fear the power and feel the warmth. Strange, isn't it?

1. Has your concept of God included both the power and the warmth or just one or the other?

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2. The Ten Commandments begin with three that place God in a position that is so entirely "other" than we are: "You shall have no other gods before me. "You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or worship them..."You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God" (Exodus 20:3-7). What are some reasons why His otherness (some call it "holiness") might be the starting point for how we treat each other (the other 7 commandments)?

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3. Does His otherness push you away or draw you toward Him? Why?

4. Even though the sun is powerful enough to destroy us, we are positioned to feel its warmth. How does God position Himself to be a source of warmth to us personally? Google this: Psalm 34:18.

5. Which do you need to experience more of today—His power or His warmth? How will you position yourself to know Him better today? This week?

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