

# God Reveals, Chapter 1: God Wants to Be Known

## Textbook Video Supplements

### Earth (Director's Cut)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TcgqDs-95Uw>

Ch. 1 › Section 1 (Our Built-in Desire for God) › Five Desires that Point to God

#### **Sweeping, stirring images of natural beauty**

1. *How does it make you feel to absorb natural beauty?*
2. *Have you ever experienced a sense of longing while amid natural beauty? Why do you think beauty gives us longing?*
3. *What are some of the limits on how much the natural world can fulfill us?*

### Ed Sheeran - Perfect (Official Music Video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Vv-BfVoq4g>

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#### **Music video accompanying the hit love song**

1. *Why does the singer see his beloved as “perfect” (even if she’s wearing an old sweatshirt)?*
2. *What do we really want when we want something “perfect”?*
3. *What does it mean that God is perfect?*

### Thomas Aquinas- The Five Proofs

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YKwLidgh\\_ok](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YKwLidgh_ok)

Ch. 1 › Section 2 (God Is Revealed through Human Reason) › Aquinas’s Five Ways for God’s Existence

#### **Classical overview of five proofs of God**

4. *What do we mean by the word “proof”? How do we “prove” anything exists?*
5. *Which of St. Thomas Aquinas’s five proofs resonates the most with you? Why?*
6. *In your own life, what “proves” God to you personally? Is there someone who makes God “believable” to you? Why or how?*

### How is the Bible Divinely Inspired?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Rt0tI0osg8>

Ch. 1 › Section 4 (God Records His Revelation) › Inspiration and Sacred Scripture

#### **Animated line drawing to explain divine inspiration of scriptural authorship**

1. *Have you ever felt inspired with a certain idea or insight? What was this like? How much of the idea or insight was “yours,” and how much was from outside of you?*
2. *What does it say about God’s view of humanity that he allowed Scripture to be a relationship between the Holy Spirit and human authorship?*
3. *Why does the human authors’ cultural context matter when we read Scripture?*