

# Deeper In God

June 18, 2017



**THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE:** *Amos 5v21-27, NIV*

**THIS WEEK'S BIG IDEA:** *The Scriptures teach that we as human beings are created in the image of God, and many times, it could be said of us, we have returned the favor.*

**Reflect:** What does it mean to you when you hear that we try to create God in our own image? How might you be guilty of that?

**Reflect:** How is Moralistic Therapeutic Deism different than classical historic Christianity? In what way is it similar? Remember the tenets:

1. A God exists who created and orders the world and watches over human life on earth.
2. God wants people to be good, nice, and fair to each other, as taught in the Bible and by most world religions.
3. The central goal of life is to be happy and to feel good about oneself.
4. God does not need to be particularly involved in one's life except when he is needed to resolve a problem.
5. Good people go to heaven when they die.

**Reflect:** Why do you think that it's when life is going so good that we fail to recognize God's presence in our lives, or even our need of him?

**Reflect:** What are some of the ways that God has used to get your attention?

**Reflect:** If you've created God in your own image, what is the next practical step you can take to return to a biblically-centered faith?

**Rest & Reflect:** Days 6 & 7 are days of rest and reflection. Use these days to dig a bit deeper if you feel inspired.