



When God Arrives Ahead of Time

It's common to feel a tug-of-war between inner anxiety and recognizing God's nearness. In this conversation with Andy Stanley and Steve Cuss, we're invited to consider some false needs that may be steering our reactions.

Discussion Questions:

1. When you think about the holiday season, what emotions—good or bad—tend to show up first for you?
2. Steve talked about the "Big 5" false needs:

- **Control**
- **Perfection**
- **Knowing the Answer**
- **Being There for Everyone**
- **Approval**

Which false need do you think gets triggered most often during holidays or family gatherings? Which of those triggers feels most familiar to your day-to-day life, not just during the holidays?

3. Which of these false needs can you most easily notice about yourself? What makes you say that?
4. Which of the Big 5 false needs do you most easily notice in other people?
5. "God is with me. God is ahead of me. God is already in the room." How might remembering that change the way you relate to the false need you identified in yourself?