

1. Scripture is the beginning point.

- A. Scripture is God's story about Himself.
- B. Problem of "1st impression"

2. God is love.

- A. His nature is revealed by His actions.
 - ·He creates us like Him.
 - •We are relational by nature.
- B. He invites us to know Him.

3. A loving Creator will create us with free will.

- "Where are you?" Gen 3:9
- "What is this you have done?" Gen 3:18

4. God is good.

- A. Essential part of His nature is goodness or he would not be loving.
 - Ninevites. Thomas. Esther.
 - Jesus Christ.
- B. Satan's temptation.

· He is good bc He acts against sin.

Gen 4:7 You will be accepted if you do what is right. But if you refuse to do what is right, then watch out! Sin is crouching at the door, eager to control you. But you must subdue it and be its master." (NLT)

5. God has a plan for my life but He gives me the freedom to walk in it.

If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. (Gal. 5:25 ESV)