The Question of God
Exploring Belief and Unbelief

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This course is intended for mental health professionals, physicians, clergy, and anyone interested in a dialogue between Sigmund Freud and CS Lewis on the issues of God, love, sex, and the meaning of life.

The course will help you in working with these issues with patients, congregants, and yourself as the class explores the dynamic of belief and unbelief. The teachers, Dale C. Godby, PhD and Marc Rathbun, PhD are both psychotherapists who are in different places on the spectrum of belief and unbelief. In their daily work they help people in their emotional and spiritual struggles in their psychotherapy practice.

We will use Armand Nicholi's book *The Question of God,* as well as video clips from the PBS series based on his book. Dr. Nicholi is a psychiatrist who has taught a course at Harvard for 25 years on this topic. The course will be brief lectures and discussion in which the teachers will present clinical material and will encourage the participants to bring in material from their daily work life.

When: *First Semester* September 8 and 22.
October 13, and 27
November 10, 2005

Second Semester January 12 & 26
February 2 & 16
March 9, 2006

Where: Dallas Group Analytic Practice (DGAP)
6330 LBJ # 150
Dallas, TX 75240

Fees: $300 per semester. Send check to above address for registration. A course note-book will be sent to you. The class is limited to 10 members to optimize discussion and the sharing of meaningful material from our work lives.

Scholarships are available write dgodby@airmail.net or marcrathbunphd@aol.com

Course Schedule

Thursdays 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

First Semester

September 8	Transcendent Experience
September 22	Science or Revelation?
October 13	The Exalted Father
October 27	Why Believe?
November 10	Miracles

Second Semester

January 12	Love Thy Neighbor
January 26	The Human Condition
February 2	Moral Law
February 16	Suffering and Death
March 9	Final Dialogue

Further Reading

Biographies

Louis Breger (2000) *Freud: Darkness in the Midst of Vision*
George Sayer (1977 updated 1997) *Jack: A Life of C S Lewis*

Criticism

Ana-Maria Rizzuto (1998) *Why Did Freud Reject God?*
John Beversluis (1985) *C S Lewis and the Search for Rational Religion*