Life Group Notes

These notes are to serve you as you lead your group.

Please feel free to select the passages and only use the questions which are most relevant to your group and for the way you want to lead the session. (There are more questions here than you'll need)

- Please choose (or adapt) the questions which you believe will bring about the most honest, faith-building and life changing conversations, and add others if you want to.
- The readings and questions develop from one section to the next. Please take time to move through the ones you want to use, giving time for discussion and sharing ideally leading to a response to God's word.

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Theme: Following Jesus Week 6: How do I share my faith?

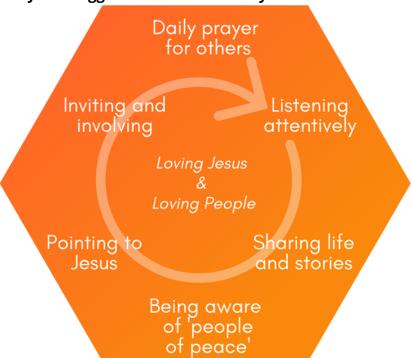
In the sixth session in our series on questions about the Christian faith, we are looking today at how we share our faith.

Introductory Questions

- 1. Did someone share their faith with you? If so, who? How?
- 2. What experience have you had of sharing your faith with others?

In this weeks' sermon we saw that:

- Sharing our faith is something for all of us, not just a few specialist people
- Sharing our faith is an exciting aspect of following Jesus
- Sharing our faith starts with Loving God and Loving others
- 3. Which of these concepts encourages you the most / challenges you the most? Why?
- 4. Which do you connect with the most?
- 5. Looking at the 6 aspects of sharing our faith, which are you most experienced and comfortable with?
- 6. Which do you struggle with the most? Why?



Use the following passages and questions to address <u>one</u> or <u>two</u> of the areas which are most relevant for your group. It is likely that the concept of 'people of peace' may be the newest one for the group, so it would be good to include this too.

A. Daily Prayer for others

Bible passage: 1 Timothy 2:1-6

Key Question(s): What comes across most clearly about praying for others from this

bible passage?

Who prayed for you before you came to Christ?

Who can you be praying for?

How will you do this?

B. Listening Attentively

Bible passage: Luke 18:35-41

Key Question(s): What stands out to you about Jesus' responsiveness to this man?

Who are we listening to?

How does this give me opportunities for deeper conversations and

meaningful relationships?

C. Sharing Life & Stories

Bible passage: Luke 7:36-49

Key Question(s): Jesus took time to share with people in ordinary settings and

situations. What do you especially notice about this passage?

Who are we sharing life with?

Who are we sharing my story with?

D. Be Aware of people of peace

Bible passage: Luke 10:1-12

Key Question(s): Is there a challenge / encouragement for you in what Jesus teaches

about looking out for those who will receive us?

When have you seen this principle at work in your life and

experience?

Who are the 'people of peace' in my life?

Have you known a time when God has been at work in someone's

life before you've spoken with them?

E. Pointing to Jesus

Bible passage(s): Colossians 4:6; 1 Peter 2:12

Key Question(s): Pointing to Jesus happens in all sorts of ways, sometimes by our

Intentional actions, and sometimes via observation of our lives.

How have you found it helpful to point to Jesus during a conversation? [This can be done in a huge variety of ways e.g. offering to pray for someone, asking a deeper follow up question, asking directly about faith, sharing a story from our own experience etc] How can I next point to Jesus?

F. Inviting and involving

Bible passage: Acts 16:22-34 (especially vs 31)

Key Question(s): What have you been invited to do, which for you was a step

toward Jesus?

What steps can you think of that might be things to invite someone

to do or consider doing?

What is the next step I can invite someone to take?

Application

It would be good to follow up with prayer for those who we are wanting to come to faith, and prayer for the group, that we might all be bolder and more confident in sharing our faith with others