



Cell Values - Jesus-Centred

Welcome (10 mins)

Say three things about yourself, one of which must be a lie. The group must then guess which one is the lie.

Worship (20 mins)

*'Because of the sacrifice of the Messiah, his blood poured out on the altar of the Cross, we're a free people - free of penalties and punishments chalked up by all our misdeeds. And not just barely free either. Abundantly free! He thought of **everything**, provided for everything we could possibly need, letting us in on the plans he took such delight in making. He set it all out before us in Christ, a long-range plan in which everything would be brought together and summed up in him, everything in deepest heaven, everything on planet earth. **It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for.** Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.'* (Ephesians 1, The Message)

Put on 'Heart of worship' by Matt Redman and listen to the words. Use this time to individually meditate on who God is - that he is worthy of praise for setting us free.

Re-focus as one group: God is working out **his** purposes through our lives each day (if we let him!!), reconciling everything and everyone to fit in around Jesus. Go round the group and ask each person to share a testimony of something - big or small - that God has done in the past week in, through or about them.

Word (40 mins)

Break down into groups of 3-4 people.

Think of some important choices you have made recently:

- Who were you wanting to please by the choice you made? Yourself/friends/Jesus...
- Why should we be motivated by pleasing Jesus? (This is a question about his character - is he loving and kind or demanding and obnoxious).
- Read Romans 5:6-8 & John 14:15 (obeying God is more about loving trust than rigid control)
- How can we live lives where Jesus is at the centre? Think in practical terms.



Pray for each other about areas where they find it difficult to trust/obey God.

Witness (20 mins)

Come back as one group and put a map of the local area on the floor. Light a candle and rest it in the middle of the map. Pray out together - in English, in tongues, in groans that words can't express (!!!) - for Jesus to be at the centre of your area. Use Scripture to declare that no name is above the name of Jesus.

E.g. Colossians 1:15-20; Philippians 1:5-11; Psalm 33:6-12.

Notes

Cell Plan