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 7: Back to the beginning

In this final session in our series on questions about the Christian faith, we recap over the previous weeks and focus especially on a passage from Philippians 1.

Read Philippians 1:3-6

Introductory questions:

- 1. How is this passage an encouragement to you?
- 2. The tone of this passage (and book) is joyful, yet in verse 7, and verses 12-14, we read something of Paul's circumstances as he writes to the church.
 - a. How do you stay encouraged in your faith in the tough times?
 - b. How would you encourage someone else who is struggling in this area?

Jesus' work in us:

Read verse 6 again.

- 3. What are you confident about? Why?
- 4. How did Jesus begin his work in your life? What did this involve?
- 5. What is it about God's work in your life that you'd describe as 'good'?
- 6. How do you understand "the day of Christ Jesus"? What do you expect will happen?
- 7. How does it impact you to know that Jesus WILL carry on his work in your life until that day?
 - a. What does this mean for you today?
 - b. How are you seeing that in action?

God and us

8. On Sunday we saw that "Our transformation is a work of God that he invites us to participate in". What invitation from God are you most aware of at this time?

Application

It would be good to follow up with prayer for each other - perhaps based on Philippians 1:9-11.