

EASTER STORIES

Finding Your Purpose – Paul

Key Truth/Principle: Meeting Jesus draws us towards him and deposits His purposes into our hearts which we can pursue, freed from fear knowing that resurrection life awaits us.

Key Verse(s): ...Acts 9:1-19

Suggested format: Ice-Breaker, Word, Worship with Communion and Prayer

Key Point(s)

- Knowing Christ brings a transformed motivation into our lives.
- Knowing Christ gives us an eternal perspective.
- Knowing the unique path that God has called us to brings fulfilment.

**** TOP TIPS ****

Remember people are indwelt with the spirit – expect them to have something to bring – most just need permission and clarity, and yearn for depth.

- **WELCOME:** Have fun, involve everyone, keep it moving
- **WORSHIP:** Deliberately LEAD people into stepping out – most people appreciate specific guidance and feel released to know how to participate (e.g. let's read a Psalm together and use the words to help us worship, let's listen to this song, let's sing now, let's have a time of prophecy and hearing from God, if you feel you want to start a song please do). Encourage gifts!
- **PRAYER:** Weave into all you do, respond to things as they come up and help people by being specific (e.g. let's all go round and pray short prayers thanking God for a particular characteristic
- **WORD:** Some folks would not have been there on Sunday – don't; worry too much about recapping, just dive into questions. Splitting people into pairs/small groups with specific question and a time frame usually brings out the best discussion and involvement of everyone.

KEY QUESTIONS

1. In what ways have the motivations of your heart changed since you became a follower of Christ?
2. Why do you think so many people are fearful of death? Do you ever spend any time wondering how amazing it will be when we die (or get raptured) & go to be with Christ? How should the hope that we have for the future affect the way we live now in this life?
3. What steps are you currently taking to discover the unique path that God has called you to?