

Life Group Notes – w/c Sunday 17th January 2010

[NB. The discussion part of this section of the evening should last no more than about 30 minutes. Also, the notes below are by no means meant to be prescriptive. Please feel free to adapt or ignore them as best fits the group you are a part of – don't feel you need to cover every question!!]

On Sunday we had our 'What would you ask God?' Sunday.

Crispin opened up by helping us think about how we respond to doubt. I then attempted to tackle the question 'God – if you really do exist, why don't you prove it?'

The Hallway of Doubt

1. Is the "hallway of doubt" a familiar place? What should we do when we find ourselves there?
2. What does it mean to "doubt your doubts" and "challenge the underlying faith beneath your doubts"?

How crucial is it to you to hear the voice of God in your day-to-day life? What action have you seen as a result?

3. "It doesn't matter how strong your faith is; what matters is the strength of what you put your faith in". Do you agree?

What have you learned about handling your doubts?

'God – if you really do exist, why don't you prove it?'

4. What is your first re-collection of being aware of the existence of God?

What persuaded you of his existence?

5. "Everyone knows that God exists – some people just choose to deny his existence". Do you agree?

6. What would you say to a friend who might be grappling with this question?

Have a great time together!

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