

CONSIDERING CHRISTIANITY

STUDY GUIDE



Welcome to Considering Christianity

Over four short sessions we will discover answers to some of life's biggest and most important questions. We will get beyond opinions and find out what the Bible says about where we came from, where we're going, and why we're here.

The Course Outline...

Session 1: Is there really a God out there?

Session 2: What's wrong with the world?

Session 3: What's so special about Jesus Christ?

Session 4: What makes someone a Christian?

The Study Guide...

This booklet contains a reminder of the main points made in each talk, plus five thought-provoking follow up questions to consider in each group discussion.

The study guide is yours to keep, so please write your name on the back and feel free to scribble any notes or answers into the spaces provided on each page.

The Discussion Groups...

You can write down the names of those in your group to help you remember their names...

Is there really a God out there?

We begin by looking at what is perhaps the greatest, most significant question of all. In our study we will look at four pieces of evidence which give us good reason to believe that there is indeed a God out there.

Evidence of Creation

Evidence of Conscience

Evidence of Communication

Evidence of Christ

Consider...

1) How convincing do you feel each piece of evidence is?

2) What does each piece of evidence tell us about God?

3) Why is the Bible still so relevant today?

4) Does it really matter whether or not God exists?

5) How do you think your life measures up to God's standards?

What's wrong with the world?

Just a quick glance at the news is enough to convince anyone that there is something drastically wrong with the world today. In our study we try to understand what's gone wrong and find out how it can be put right.

Diagnosing the Problem

Dissecting the Problem

Dealing with the Problem

Consider...

1) What did GK Chesterton mean by his unusual answer to the question?

2) How would you feel if all your sins were reported in tomorrow's newspapers?

3) Why is sin so serious?

4) Do you feel that you personally need God's forgiveness?

5) How is it possible to have our sins forgiven today?

What's so special about Jesus Christ?

Most of us will be completely forgotten about within a few years of dying. Yet 2,000 years after Jesus' life ended, we still celebrate His birth and remember His death every year. In this study we find out why.

Source of Creation

Son of God

Saviour of the World

Consider...

1) Which description of Jesus impresses you the most?

2) In what ways did Jesus back up His claim to be the Son of God?

3) What was the reason for Jesus' death on the cross?

4) Why is it so important that Jesus rose from the dead?

5) 'What shall I do with Jesus?' - why is this the most important question in life?

What makes someone a Christian?

In the last UK census around 60% of the population identified themselves as being 'Christians'. But are they really? In our study we dispel some of the myths and look at what the Bible says makes someone a real Christian.

Not a Place, but a Person

Not Trying, but Trusting

Not a Religion, but a Relationship

Consider...

1) Do you think that the UK is a particularly 'Christian' country today?

2) 'God helps those who help themselves' - do you think this is true?

3) Give some examples from everyday life where we demonstrate faith?

4) How can someone become a Christian according to the Bible?

5) What difference should becoming a Christian make in a person's life?

Considering Christianity

The message of the Bible summarised...

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth

Genesis 1:1

Through one man sin entered into the world

Romans 5:12

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God

Romans 3:23

The wages of sin is death

Romans 6:23

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners

1 Timothy 1:15

Christ died for our sins

1 Corinthians 15:3

He rose again the third day

1 Corinthians 15:4

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved

Acts 16:31

The question we must all personally consider...

What shall I do then with Jesus Christ?

Matthew 27:22

*For God so loved the world
that He gave His only Son,
that whoever believes in Him
should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

John 3:16

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