

**LIFE GROUP MATERIAL**

**JOHN - THE MAN WHO LOVED JESUS (A minimum of 2 Life Group evenings)**

John's Gospel has a very clear framework.  
It's built around **7 SIGNS** and **7 I AM SAYINGS**

A very simple exercise is to try and remember what the 7 Signs are and what the 7 I Am Sayings are.

Have a go and see if the group can think of them all.

NB. Don't embarrass anyone who is new to the bible and does not know any of them!

A sign points to something else beyond itself.

The sign has no real meaning but it points to something that has a real meaning or importance.

**Turn to JOHN 2:11**

Question: What was the 'sign' pointing to?

Answer: It revealed or pointed to the glory of God

Question: **Can anyone describe what 'glory' means or is?**

Answer: It is fundamentally the idea that Jesus perfectly revealed the very nature and character of God.

**Turn to 2 Corinthians 4:6**

The glory of God had been shown to us through Christ.

Question: Chat about and come up with some thoughts.

How do we make the glory of Christ known to others?

**A mini Bible study on the word 'GLORY'**

- Below are a number of verses that mention the word, 'GLORY'. Give one or two to each person. Get them to read it to themselves and think about ONE thing to say about it. (The one thing can be, 'I don't have any idea what it means). People can share together.
- Go round the group and ask them to read the verse and share the one thing that came to mind. This may lead to a follow up such as, 'What does that mean for you?'
- Be open to pray for folks as they share.

NB: **If you don't have an answer that is fine.** Go away and find the answer by looking in a commentary or emailing a Life Group overseer or another leader. Next week go back with an idea if an answer.

**Verses:**

Romans 6:4, 8:17, 15:17, 16:27

2 Corinthians 1:20, 4:4, 4:6

Ephesians 1:12, 3:21

Philippians 1:11, 2:11, 4:19

Colossians 1:27, 3:4

2 Timothy 2:10

1 Peter 1:7, 4:11

Titus 2:13

***Remember! glory is about likeness to God. It's about the presence of God. This will help you as you look at these verses.***

***Our vision is to 'extend the glory of God'***

Discuss:

How can we do this together?

How can you be a part of this every day wherever you are?