

A MENU OF RESOURCES FOR BIBLE STUDY IN SMALL GROUPS

If you would like to lead a Bible Study/Discussion Group but are a little unsure about it, Blackburn Diocese have a training day which we are hoping to offer in different locations around the Diocese in the autumn. Contact Mandy or Rosie for more details.

NEW FROM THE BIBLE SOCIETY – BIBLE BOOK CLUB!



The Bible Society have just launched a new initiative, Bible Book Club, helping people to read and discuss books of the Bible with friends. Free resources available to download, for every book of the Bible, include background information, inspiring quotes and discussion group questions. Not for those who want to examine every verse in detail, but a brilliant way to encourage people to read an entire book of the Bible (short or long!) and talk about it as a whole. More information (including tips on running a book group) and downloads on <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/bible-book-club/>

The Bible Course



The course follows the story-line of the Bible from cover to cover (Genesis to Revelation). Along the way, it shows how to interpret the Bible and apply its message to our lives today. There are 8 sessions each lasting 90 minutes, including DVD teaching and small group discussion. The course works for seekers, new Christians and mature Christians, and can be run in large settings, small groups or as 1-2-1 coaching. See <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/the-bible-course/>. There is a copy of the course in the library at the Diocesan Offices if you would like to take a look.



lyfe

lyfe provides small group sessions, events and other useful resources to help people discover a deeper life with God, growing holistically and experiencing a transforming relationship with God through Scripture and spiritual practices that have inspired and sustained Christians throughout the centuries. lyfe groups spend time reading and reflecting on Scripture, and then select a relevant 'challenge' to experience throughout the week. In doing so, the group goes on a journey and together, they discover a deeper life with God. There are over 30 sessions, each one with supporting video interviews featuring Pete Greig, Paula Gooder, John Ortberg and Mark Greene among others.

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/lyfe/what-is-lyfe/>

Life Streams

Life Streams is a practical workbook featuring guidelines and study plans for starting and maintaining a Spiritual Formation Group.



Available from the Bible Society. There is a copy in the library at the Diocesan Offices if you would like to take a look.

York courses



York courses are 5 week courses, often used as Lent courses, but they can be used at any time. Past courses are still available which cover a variety of themes.

<http://www.yorkcourses.co.uk/>

Unlock Urban



Unlock publish a variety of Bible study packs, house group materials, Lent courses and parish audit materials, which are ideal for visual learners and non-book cultures. These are generally free to download from their website:

<http://www.unlock-urban.org.uk/resources.php>



Multiply

Multiply is designed as a simple resource for disciples to make



disciples. It is a 24-

session discipleship experience designed for one-on-one and group settings, and includes videos and other resources. There is a book, or you can download the material a session at a time.

<http://multiplymovement.com/>



Disciplekit and Trove

Both these websites have guides to a huge range of courses and books which can be used for group study. If you would like some help in working out which materials are best suited to your church's needs, please contact Mandy.

<http://www.disciplekit.org/>

<https://discipleshiptrove.com/>

Warning: searching for 'Trove' rather than 'discipleshiptrove' will mainly find you online gaming sites!