

CELL GROUP DISCUSSION STARTERS

OPENING QUESTION

1. How long have you been at the church? In your opinion, is the ministry offering of the church very much the same as when you first came or is it different?

CONTENT EXPLANATION

2. Of the eight snippets we took out of the OT which one struck you most? How does it show God as a reaching/sending/missionary God? How does it show the plan was always for Jesus to come?
3. How have you thought about the OT in the past?
4. How is Christ the highest fulfilment of God's missionary plan (cf. 1Pet 1:10-12; Luke 24:25-27)?
5. How does John 17:18 catapult us into missions in a radical way?

Cell leader: the point is that we see mission as integral to who God is, not just a final command that Jesus gave in Matt 28 before he left! Help your group see how a calling to missions is a calling to Christlikeness and an imitation of the character of God.

CONTENT APPLICATION

6. What are the reasons that you avoid reaching people with the gospel?
7. How is the incarnation a challenge to cross cultures and engage people where they are?
8. Have you ever 'bunkered down' and become insular in your Christianity? Why is that a comfortable thing to do? Why is it also wrong?
9. How is the incarnation a challenge to evangelise lost people?
10. Who is the one person you can try to reach for one year?