

Week beginning 3rd May 2015

Abundant Life

Pure Life - Recognize, repent of and replace sin

Life Groups at



St Barnabas

Welcome



In school, were you in the 'in' crowd or the 'out' crowd?

15 mins 3/5

Worship



Spend some time in quiet reflection and say one of the confessions and 1 John 1:9 together.
Sing some songs, conscious of God's readiness to forgive our sins.

20 mins 3/5

Word



Luke 18:9-14

1. What do you think is a Christian understanding of purity, repentance and the rejection of sin?
2. How much importance do you and Christians in general place on purity?
3. If the Pharisee was not an evildoer, fasted and tithed, why was this not enough to be justified before God?
4. How does it mean to be justified before God (v14)?
5. How does the importance we place on purity compare with Jesus' teachings?
6. What is the place of forgiveness when thinking about purity?
7. What do you understand by the idea of 'claiming God's forgiveness'?
8. How might being accountable to someone be helpful or unhelpful?
9. How well do you think you resist sin? What would help in this?
10. Do you find repentance easy or difficult?
11. What can we learn about repentance from the parable?

45 mins 3/5

Witness



To think about: What could it look like for us to be more like the tax collector?

Philippa Hanna concert this Saturday, 9th May, 7.30 p.m. in church

10 mins 3/5