

Week beginning 17th November 2019

God's Big Picture: The Bible in 6 weeks - Jesus



Welcome

What's the most embarrassing thing you've ever forgotten?
What things do you do to try and remember things that you tend to forget?



15 mins 17/11

Worship

(Break into pairs or groups of three?) John 3:16 is sometimes called a summary of the whole gospel. If you had to summarise the gospel in one sentence, what would you say? Pray prayers of thanks to God and/or sing a chorus of praise to God in response.



20 mins 17/11

Word

The Bible can be divided into six chunks. Can you remember what they are?

Looking at the gospel of John, if you had to break it into 5 or 6 sections, how would you do that?

Looking at John 3: 16, it can be broken down into four sections, what might these be?

- (eg (1) God so loved the world
- (2) that he gave his one and only Son
- (3) that whoever believes in him should not perish
- (4) but have everlasting life)

Which parts of John's Gospel correspond with the different segments of John 3: 16?

Which parts of the entire Bible could be said to correspond with the different segments of John 3: 16? (Lateral thinking needed here!)

What does God want for us?

how does this help us when either we or those we love are seem lost and far from God?



45 mins 17/11

Witness

Can you think of places where you could put John 3:16 up, so that it acts as a personal reminder to you about the heart of the gospel? (eg in a diary, on a bedside table, in the front of a Bible, on a bookmark...)

Putting words up in a public setting may well not be possible. But can you think of behaviours at work or home or church that express the truths contained in John 3:16? Can you think of other verses from scripture which would be good to commit to memory, so that they might season your conversation?



10 mins 17/11