# York St Small Groups Sermon Based Studies

SUNDAY 14 June 2020

## **Healthy Biblical Images of God**

John 1:1-14



These studies are designed to be explored after hearing the Sunday sermon and also to be accompanied by a time of prayer/sharing.

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#### **GETTING STARTED**

**Q1.** Have you ever found it hard to hear one person speak over the sound of other noises? What were the competing noises?

**Q2.** At times we have other voices telling us what God's image is, they compete against God's real image. Can you think of a verse in the Bible that explains what God is like?

#### **INTO THE WORD**

#### **Q3.** Read John 1:1-14

From the beginning of the world God's character is revealed to us, it's shown and lived out through Jesus. Do you find it easy to link God as Jesus, or are there character traits that you think are different?

#### **Q4.** Read 1 John 1:5

What does this 'light' look like? How can this light show us the image of God?

### **GOING DEEPER**

Pick 2 or 3 titles that interest your group and read the verses that support the character statement.

- Rock (Ps 31:1-8)
- Warrior (Ex 15:1-18)
- Peacemaker (Is 48:16-22)
- Vineyard owner (Is 5:1-7)
- Builder (Job 38:1-18)
- King (Ps 99)
- Father (Hosea 11:1-11)
- Husband (Is 54:1-8)
- Potter (Jer 18:1-12)
- Judge (Ps 7)
- Good shepherd (John 10)
- Forgiving father (Luke 15:11-32)
- Gift giver (Matt 7:7-12)
- Healer (Matt 20:29-34)
- God of compassion (Ps 103:1-14)
- God of empathy and grace (Heb 4:14-16; 5:1-10)
- God who knows us intimately (Ps 139:1-18)
- God who is trustworthy (Ps 145:1-16)
- God who pursues (Luke 15:1-7)
- God who provides (Matt 6:25-34; 7:7-11)
- God who is all-powerful (Luke 8:22-56)

#### **Pray**

God, will you help us to have an image of you that aligns with your word, that will help us to see you as you truly are. Help us to see how you acted through your Son and to be more like him as we love those around us. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.