**Session 2**

**Theme: Jesus is the Truth**

**Resources:**

* Prayer labels
* Pens;
* Name labels
* Icebreaker questions PowerPoint
* Food
* Video countdown timer
* Game resources
* Cut out blankety-blank ‘truth’ phrases
* A5 paper for answers
* Cut-out ‘gingerbread’ men & one life size gingerbread man
* Prepared talk
* Words from talk PowerPoint

| **Time** | **Who?** | **Item** | **Length** |
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|  |  | **Doors open, Ice breaker questions on screen** | **30 min** |
|  |  | **Meal** | **30 min** |
|  |  | **Video Countdown Timer** | **5 min** |
|  |  | **Game** | **10 min** |
|  |  | **Notices / Encouragements** | **5 min** |
|  |  | **Whole congregation activity** | **8 min** |
|  |  | Quotes that talk about truth, with some words missing, are put up around the room. Members go round the room and work out what are the missing words. Feedback answers. | |
|  |  | **Table discussion** | **6 min** |
|  |  | How do we know – or work out – what is true? Then feedback. | |
|  |  | **Link** | **2 min** |
|  |  | If someone you knew said, ‘I am the Truth’, what qualities / characteristics would you expect that person to have? Introduce the ‘gingerbread man’ activity. ***\*\*\*\* Leader’s note \*\*\*\* This took a couple of attempts to explain, when we originally road tested this activity.*** | |
|  |  | **Individual / table activity** | **6 min** |
|  |  | Each person is given a ‘gingerbread man’ cut-out, and are asked to write on the cut-out, the sort of characteristics they would expect to see in someone who said, ‘I am the Truth’. Ask them to share what they have written, with the rest of their table. Then feedback, writing people’s answers on a life size ‘gingerbread man’. **\*\*\*\* Leader’s note: \*\*\*\*** ***(1) You will need to create your own life size gingerbread man. We used lining paper on a ‘go-pack table placed vertically (2) In case people struggle, here are some possible answers – honest; caring; considerate; nice; kind; loving; thoughtful; gentle; challenging (not afraid to challenge us).*** | |
|  |  | **Talk** | **5 min** |
|  |  | **\*\*\*\* Leader’s note \*\*\*\*** *You will need to write your own 5 min ‘truth’ talk.* | |
|  |  | **Individual activity** | **3 min** |
|  |  | Put up PowerPoint of words coming out of the ‘truth’ talk. **\*\*\*\* Leader’s note \*\*\*\* *You will need to have prepared this PowerPoint in advance, using six or so words that come out of the talk, and that are different to the previous PowerPoint.*** Ask people to choose one or two words that they might want to add to their ‘gingerbread’ man. Ask them to write ‘Jesus’ at the top of their cur-out. This is for them to take home and remind themselves what Jesus is like. | |
|  |  | **Sum up and finish** | **2 min** |
|  |  | Mention that prayer is available. | |
|  |  | **End** |  |