

**WITNESS – Reaching out to others**  
*(Aim for 20 – 30 minutes)*

**Praying for one another**

*Romans 12:9-21 (NIVUK)*

<sup>10</sup> *Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves.* <sup>11</sup> *Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord.* <sup>12</sup> *Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*

Go around the group and share a challenge what you are facing so that others might pray for you.

When each person has shared pray for each other, with each person praying for the person on their left..

Conclude by praying The Caleb prayer:-

O High King of Heaven,  
Have mercy on our land.  
Revive your Church.  
Send the Holy Spirit for the sake of the lost, the least and the broken.  
May your Kingdom come to our nation.  
In Jesus' mighty name. **Amen.**

# Trusting God in 5 Troubled Times

## What is the invitation?

### *Isaiah 55*

#### **WELCOME – Breaking the ice**

*(Aim for 10 minutes)*

How do you feel when someone says  
“Would you like to come round for a meal?”

#### **WORSHIP – Meeting the Lord**

*(Aim for 10 – 15 minutes)*

As you turn to pray be quiet for a moment and turn your focus to God.

Go around the room and each person pray a thank you prayer.

Then together pray:-

**Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,  
Ignite in us your holy fire;  
Strengthen your children with the gift of faith,  
Revive your Church with the breath of love,  
And renew the face of the earth,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

Finish this worship time with the leader praying for your meeting.

**WORD – Applying the truth**  
***(Aim for 40 – 45 minutes)***

***Read Isaiah 55***

1 An amazing offer is extended in verses 1-5.  
Who is invited and what are they invited to?

2 Why do we need to make the most of the opportunities we have to respond to Gods invitation? What opportunities are you aware of? Did you take them? If not why not?

3 A note of urgency is introduced in verses 6-7.  
How do these verses outline the nature of true repentance?

4 What are the negative and positive sides of repentance which are highlighted in verses 6 – 9?

5 What transformations do God's thoughts and words achieve according to verses 8 – 13?

6 In what ways does God intend the lives of his servants to be fruitful? Does your vision of what this involves match Isaiah's? How does this work out in practice?