

SESSION 1 CORE CONTENT

RIGHT WHERE YOU ARE

Presenters Nell and Adnan discuss their time at university. Mark Greene, Executive Director of LICC, shares the story of the unnamed servant girl in 2 Kings 5. Nell and Adnan consider what this means for our everyday, ordinary lives.

SESSION 1 INTERVIEW

ALLY'S STORY

Ally, a uni football captain in his second year, shares how he initiated freshers to the team. This video includes a chance to pause and discuss as a group halfway through.

SESSION 2 CORE CONTENT

INTRODUCING THE 6MS

Adnan and Nell discuss the complexity of living for God in different uni contexts. Mark Greene shares a 'framework for fruitfulness' – the 6Ms – which Adnan and Nell then unpack and discuss.

SESSION 3 CORE CONTENT

NOTHING LEFT OUT

Mark Greene explains the big story of the Bible, and Nell and Adnan consider how different university subjects may fit into the framework of 'flourishing, damage, and restoration'.

SESSION 1

*WHEREVER YOU ARE:
LIVING ALL OF LIFE WITH GOD* / 9

Tackling the big questions of 'can God work through me?' and 'am I in the right place for that to happen?'

SESSION 2

*WHATEVER YOU DO:
SEEING GOD IN THE ORDINARY* / 17

Discovering how God is working in and through you already, and helping you see how he might do so in the future.

SESSION 3

*NOTHING LEFT OUT:
STUDYING WITH THE EYES OF FAITH* / 25

Focusing particularly on how the biblical narrative makes sense of your subject and how you see it.

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Leader's Session 1 Guide

What this session covers

This session begins by looking at the story of the unnamed servant girl in 2 Kings 5 and aims to illustrate how God can work in and through us wherever we are – even in the unexpected locations! Students will then discover the myriad places that God speaks to people in the Bible. From there, the session moves on to look at a true story of God working in a common university situation, giving students reassurance and imagination for how God is already working and will work through them in the future.

Session objectives

For students to:

Understand that we can encounter God in both church activities and our everyday university life

What you'll need for this session

Bibles, pens, Participant's Workbooks

Videos:

1. Right Where You Are
2. Ally's Story

Access the videos at licc.org.uk/launched

WHEREVER YOU ARE: LIVING ALL OF LIFE WITH GOD

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CORE CONTENT

Right Where You Are

15 mins

READ
 2 Kings 5:1-14

WATCH
 Right Where You Are

KEY POINTS

- Everywhere we go and everything we do is significant to God.
- Just like with the unnamed servant girl God can work in and through us wherever we are – even places we don't want to be.

Discuss

- What struck you about the servant girl and what she did? How does this story encourage and/or challenge you?
- Where do you feel God is most likely to work? Why?

ACTIVITY

Where in the Bible...?

15 mins

Throughout the Bible, people encounter God – or his messengers – in a variety of places, whilst they're doing a variety of things.

In pairs, how many of the blanks in the chart can you fill in (accurately!) in the next 10 minutes? Your group leader has the answers!

LEADER'S NOTE

The aim of this game is to help the group see that God speaks to and works through a whole host of people whilst they're doing a whole bunch of different things.

The highlighted boxes in the chart are the ones that the group has blank. If people are struggling, feel free to give them a few hints!

Who	Where	Doing what	Found in
Simon Peter	By a lake	Washing his nets	Luke 5:1-11
Adam & Eve	In the garden	Hiding	Genesis 3:8-10
Jairus' daughter	At home	Dead	Mark 5:35-42
Balaam	In transit	Riding a donkey	Numbers 22:21-23
Two criminals	Golgotha	Being executed	Luke 23:32-43
Abraham	Outside his tent	Relaxing	Genesis 18:1
Hagar	By a spring in the wilderness	Running away	Genesis 16:7-8
Jeremiah	At the potter's studio	Watching someone at work	Jeremiah 18:1-6
Unnamed woman	Temple Courts	Caught in adultery	John 8:1-4
Moses	Far side of the wilderness, Mount Horeb	Tending a flock of sheep	Exodus 3:1-3
Matthew	In a tax collector's booth	Collecting taxes	Matthew 9:9
Shepherds	In fields	On the night shift	Luke 2:8-9
Jacob	On the road	Sleeping on a stone	Genesis 28:10-17
Gideon	In a winepress	Threshing wheat	Judges 6:11-12
The Widow of Nain's son	At his own funeral	Being dead	Luke 7:11-15
Saul/Paul	The road to Damascus	Travelling	Acts 9:1-5
The Samaritan woman	At the well	Fetching water	John 4:6-9

Discuss

- What does this game demonstrate about the places we can encounter God?
- What does this mean for our everyday, ordinary lives?
- On a scale of 1–10 (1 being 'not at all', and 10 being 'always'), how often do you expect God to meet with or speak to you wherever you are? Why?

DISCUSSION

Ally's Story

15 mins



LEADER'S NOTE

You will be asked to pause the video a few minutes in to allow people to discuss in pairs, and then feedback briefly to the group. Try not to spend more than 5 minutes on this initial discussion!

Discuss during pause

- What do you think Ally should do? Why?
- What opportunities can you see here for God to work?

Discuss after video

- What challenges or inspires you in what Ally did?
- How was God at work in this situation?

PRAYER

All My Life

10 mins

Spend some time in prayer in twos and threes.

- Thank God that he does not only work in and through 'impressive' people in impressive situations, but ordinary people in their everyday lives.
- Pray for two or three specific places or people that you will meet this coming week.
- Ask God for eyes to see him at work in and through you wherever you find yourself.



LEADER'S NOTE

Encourage your group to pray creatively about what you've covered in the session. How about creating prayer stations? Put the names of places they spend time (e.g. sports team, pub, house, seminar room etc.) around the room, and then encourage them to go stand near a 'place'? Give them three minutes to pray for that specific place, then move on to a new one.

You might want to finish by reading the prayer below together:

Lord Jesus, you are in all and through all and with all,
All things were created through you and for you.
The totality of the world owes its very existence to you.
We, too, belong to you.

Heavenly Father, you showed yourself to us in your Son.
Thank you for your loving kindness,
Your creative, redemptive acts.
Teach us to live as your disciples wherever we may be.

Holy Spirit, lead us as we go from here.
In all we do throughout the week
Make the ordinary extraordinary
And show us how you are at work in the most unlikely of places.

To the glory of your name may it be, O Lord.
Amen

JOURNEYING ON

Jesus, Lord of All

Optional personal study for in between sessions

 **READ**
Colossians 1:15-20

- Confident that Jesus is Lord of all, think about the week ahead, and spend some time praying for the people you will meet and the places you will go. Ask God to give you eyes to see how he is working there.
- Do you have a set travel route to one or more of the locations you regularly visit? Why not find a way to help you pray for that place as you travel there – maybe use landmarks to signify different people, places, or situations, and pray for them as you travel past.
- Is there someone you've noticed in halls or during a seminar who might be struggling with feeling overwhelmed or finding life a bit difficult? Think about how can you offer to help them or cheer them up this week – it could be a quick text, a small gift, or taking some time out to pray with or for them.