

*Aim: to encourage Christians to have the confidence to read the Bible together with an individual, whether an unbeliever wanting to find out more, or a new believer.*

## **Icebreaker (10 minutes):**

- 1) What's the most surprising place you've ever found yourself having a deep conversation?

or

- 2) Form a circle and toss a real (or imaginary) ball to someone across from you. When you catch it, name one biblical word (light, grace, hope, etc.) and in one sentence explain how you'd use that word to point someone to Jesus. Toss to another person who repeats the pattern.

## **Video (19 minutes)**

### **Bible Reflection and Discussion (25 minutes):**

- 1) Read Acts 8:26-40. What prompted Philip to approach the chariot? Have you ever sensed a nudge from God to start a conversation you weren't planning?
- 2) What does this encounter show us about God's role and our role in outreach? How does Philip make the most of the opportunity God provides?
- 3) How does the eunuch's curiosity about Scripture mirror that of the world? Have you ever been surprised by someone's curiosity?
- 4) "Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus" (v35). How might you use this passage to tell someone about Jesus?

- 5) What is surprising about verses 39-40 and how does this help us in our witness to Jesus?
- 6) Have you ever used a resource like The Word One to One? What did you find encouraging, and what might you do differently? If you haven't used one before, when could you see it being valuable?
- 7) Why use the Bible, not just personal stories, when introducing Jesus?
- 8) What does it mean to be a "loving page turner"?

### **Dig Deeper (optional):**

- 1) Read John 1:1-18. What key truth about Jesus emerges here?
- 2) How does John introduce Jesus as the eternal Word?
- 3) Which phrase in John 1:1-18 would you choose to read first with someone curious about Jesus, and why that phrase?
- 4) What different themes or motifs from this passage could you use to shape your invitation (e.g. "This book talks about light shining in the darkest of places", "These are the words of someone claiming to have been eyewitnesses to someone incredible")?

### **Prayer (10 minutes):**

- Thank the Holy Spirit that He speaks through His Word
- Pray that we would be listening to the Holy Spirit's prompting to notice curiosity
- Pray for courage and boldness to open the Word with non-Christians and new Christians