

Connecting the Sunday Sparkle at Hearsall Baptist with the Daily Dust of Life

Welcome

- Do you follow a sports team, TV programme, writer or celebrity? What makes you keep on following?

Worship

- Read Matthew 4:12-23
- Simon, Peter, James and John followed Jesus **immediately**. What does this tell you about Jesus?
- Share what it is about Jesus that makes you still want to follow him today. Turn this into prayer - either written beforehand, or spoken freely in the group.

Word

Read 1 Corinthians 1: 10 - 12

- Christians will inevitably have different points of view sometimes. When does a different point of view become a division?
- What is the equivalent of verse 12 in our own congregation?
- What is its equivalent in the global Christian church?

Read 1 Corinthians 1: 13 - 17

- Verse 13 has three questions - answer each one!
- Does it matter **who** performs a baptism?
- Does it matter **how** that baptism was performed? Consider: How much water? At what age? With full immersion? With faith? Whose faith?

Read 1 Corinthians 1: 18

- Explain why the cross seems like foolishness to so many.
- Explain how this foolishness becomes God's power.

Witness

- Create a personal response to verse 18 - a written prayer, a song, a poem, a letter, a picture or something else.
- Share it with at least one non Christian.
- Bring it along next time