

IN THE BAD TIMES



Aim:	To recognize that most people face situations where they feel abandoned in life and to learn to look for/find God in those times.
Equipment:	'Each Day' Bluetree's Greater Things Album (available on itunes); Paper, pens/pencils,
Time:	30–35 min

1. Pray, thanking God that as we draw near to God, he will draw near to us.
2. Listen to the song
3. Listen to the song again and on a piece of paper, note all the reminders of God being with us in the text.
4. Note down an instance or a situation where you felt utterly alone, abandoned or hopeless.
5. Let the track run quietly in the background and ask people to look back again on the situation and ask God to show them where he was in it? Were there clues as to His presence?
6. Invite people to feedback at this point and encourage them to go home and write a narrative (possibly even poetry) during the week about this experience and any fresh insights they have on where God was in it. It might be good to post some of these to the website (these could remain anonymous if people wanted to)
7. Finish by reading together one of the following verses;

Deu 31:6, 31:8, Jos 1:5, 1 Kin 8:57, Heb 13:5
8. There is the possibility with this to look at some instances in the bible where people went through situations where they appeared to be totally alone. This could either be done as the 'word' element of the evening or perhaps people could simply be encouraged to look at some of these stories in their own time.

E.g. Daniel, Gideon, David, Job, Jesus, Joseph, Esther...