



Small group discussion questions May 2015

Chapter & verse – Lawrence Moore (p22)

Read John 1:1-5 and 10-18, followed by Lawrence Moore's article.

- 1. Lawrence suggests, in the first paragraph, that the Trinity isn't a popular subject among preachers or congregations. Why do you think that might be?
- 2. How do you understand Lawrence's statement in paragraph two: "We have Trinity because we had Jesus among us"?
- 3. Verse 14 of the Bible passage says: "The Word became flesh and lived among us"; Lawrence says in paragraph three: "In Jesus, God has walked among us". What difference do these ideas make to you?
- 4. The phrase "born again" can have different meanings. What meaning does Lawrence give it in paragraph four? Do you think this is the same as the birth that we read about in John 1:12-13?
- 5. Lawrence says in paragraph five of "Chapter & verse": "Jesus is our clearest, most unambiguous window into the heart and mind of God." What kind of God do you see when you look through that window?
- 6. What connection does Lawrence make between verse five of the Bible passage and the Trinity and Easter? What difference does the idea of the Trinity make to our understanding of Easter?
- 7. "Where is God when we are suffering most?" What answer does Lawrence suggest to his question in the last paragraph? Do you find his approach helpful?





For further reflection: "For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things". (Colossians 1: 19-20)

Prayer: Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, what a gift you have given us, that in your human life we see God the invisible, and know God the incomprensible. Help us to see you better and know you better, we pray. Help us to see and to know something more of God in our own lives. Amen.