

DREAMING OF A RIGHT CHRISTMAS

Discussion Notes

Sam said that at the heart of the Christmas story is God making a decision to act on behalf of the poor and vulnerable; stepping down into humanity, being born into poverty as a refugee.

- Have you considered the link between Christmas and social justice before?
- Do you think about the consequences of the decisions you make at Christmas, i.e. the effect on the planet of our waste or what our money could be better put towards?
- What decisions can we make this year to celebrate Christmas in a way puts justice first?

Different people in your Hub will be passionate about different justice causes. It's important that we support each other in this so you may want to spend some time asking people what they care about.

Ally shared how difficult this time of year can be for people without permanent accommodation and the work that the Wild Goose does to support them.

- Did Ally say anything that surprised you? Did anything stand out?
- What can we do to love people without permanent accommodation better at Christmas?

Rosie and Hannah both shared how their work with vulnerable women wasn't an optional extra with their faith but right at the heart of what they believed in.

- How can we make sure we see justice as a central part of what it means for us to follow Jesus?
- What prevents us from doing this?
- How can we as a Hub encourage each other in this?

Hannah also shared about the importance of prayer in seeing justice in our city.

- How can we engage in prayer for justice better?

Talk about the possibility of volunteering with Beloved, as well as continued support The Wild Goose. Beloved need both male and female volunteers right now.