ChristChurch London Life Group Discussion Outline – 1/03/09
“A model church – turning from idols” – David Stroud

Read 1 Thess 1:6-10

1. What are some of the challenges that arise from living in London with regards to worshipping idols? Why is it so difficult to spot the idols that are prevalent in our own culture?

(As a reminder the idols that David listed on Sunday were: sex, power & money. Narcissism, hedonism & relativism. Our service for God, our family & friends, seeking a spouse. He suggested these are examples of the idols in our culture, rather than a comprehensive list).

2. What are the effects of idols in our lives? In what ways have you observed them enslave, change & disappoint people?

3. What are the practical implications of "turning to the true & living God"? What difference does this make in our lives? How can we ensure that Jesus is satisfying us in a way that makes idols less attractive?